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MESSAGE FROM THE REGIMENTAL MAJOR
MAJOR E.A. LIEBERT, CD

The theme of this year's Patrician is "Continuing the Fight," which emphasizes the Regiment's unwavering commitment to Canada's mission in Afghanistan. Afghanistan dominated the Regiment's agenda in 2008. Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry returned to Afghanistan in force when over 1,000 PPCLI soldiers deployed to Kandahar and Kabul. Patricias serving in the Battle Group, the Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team and the Special Forces fought side by side with Afghan soldiers and policemen as they worked to improve security and develop Afghan skills and professionalism. PPCLI soldiers working with the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team protected diplomats, development advisors, police, and corrections personnel as they worked to improve Afghans' quality of life. Patricias also served in a range of headquarters across Afghanistan, using their personal commitment and problem-solving skills to promote teamwork and coordination. All of the Patricia Battalions, including the Loyal Edmonton Regiment, contributed to this effort. Our attention tends to concentrate on the battalions, but it is important to note that Patricias across Canada, including the PPCLI Association, the Regiment's families and supporters worked together to sustain the mission. Although the Regiment focused on Afghanistan, Patricias also served on missions in Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

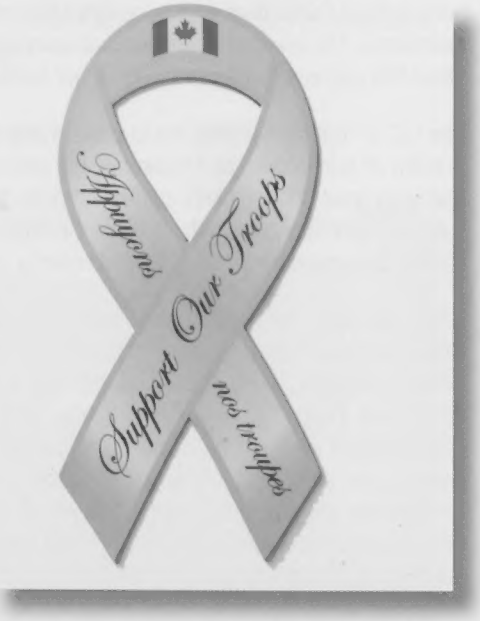
The Regiment lost 18 soldiers on active duty in Afghanistan in 2008. Many others were injured. These casualties brought the Regimental family together and we worked very hard to honour our commitment to care for our wounded soldiers and the families of the fallen. Patricias across Canada mourned our losses and cared for the survivors. These efforts are making a difference. The Regiment's Veterans Care Cell continues to monitor our wounded and the families of the fallen and the PPCLI Association's Volunteer Patricia Programme continues to reach out to Patricias who need assistance, particularly outside our major garrisons. Bureaucracy remains a major obstacle to progress, but our soldiers are benefiting from the growing number of programmes and services. Although much remains to be done, we are learning from our experiences and some of our more seriously wounded soldiers have made incredible progress on the long road to recovery.

The Regiment's bravery, determination, teamwork, commitment to excellence, and personal sacrifices were recognized on a number of occasions throughout the year. Several Patricias were awarded valour awards. Many more received mentions in dispatches, meritorious service decorations, commanders' commendations, and achievement awards for their contributions to the Canadian Forces. Six members of the PPCLI Association received commendations from the Minister of Veterans Affairs. In addition to the individual awards, the PPCLI Association received the Canadian Forces Medallion for Distinguished Service for its exceptional dedication and outstanding leadership demonstrated through its support to veterans, Canadian soldiers and their families.

PPCLI officers and NCOs continued their important work in schools and training areas across Canada. Much of this effort concentrated on preparing a new generation of soldiers for Regimental service. Nine basic infantry courses graduated from the Land Forces Western Area Training Centre in Wainwright. Many of these soldiers are now working hard to master the skills they will need to succeed in the difficult conditions in Afghanistan. Three infantry officer serials graduated from the Infantry School in Gagetown over the course of the year.

Madame Clarkson visited our soldiers in Afghanistan in August and met with many of our junior officers at Exercise RIC-A-DAM-DOO in Edmonton in November where they gathered to learn about the Regiment's history, customs and traditions and the expectations of our soldiers and senior leaders. Madame Clarkson also visited the Third Battalion and the Loyal Edmonton Regiment and thoroughly enjoyed another opportunity to meet with soldiers and their families.

I will conclude my comments by thanking the Regimental Headquarters staff and everyone who took the time to contribute articles and photographs for this year's Patrician. I also want to thank the PPCLI Association and our corporate sponsors. This publication would not be possible without your continued support.



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Capt J. Snyder (Posthumous) -

FOR VALOUROUS ACTIONS AND EXTRAORDINARY COURAGE UNDER FIRE THAT SAVED THE LIVES OF DOZENS OF AFGHANS AND CANADIANS, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 4 JUNE 2008;

Sgt W.K. MacDonald - FOR LEADERSHIP AND COURAGE UNDER SUSTAINED AND INTENSE COMBAT, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 27 JULY 2006; AND

MCpl D. Ball – FOR VALOUROUS ACTIONS AND EXTRAORDINARY COURAGE UNDER FIRE THAT SAVED THE LIVES OF DOZENS OF AFGHANS AND CANADIANS, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 4 JUNE 2008.

Medal of Military Valour

Cpl B. Keller (Posthumous) -

FOR GALLANTRY WHEN HE ENGAGED THE ENEMY, WHILE EXPOSED TO ENEMY FIRE, ALLOWING HIS COMRADES TO ATTEND TO A CRITICALLY WOUNDED SOLDIER, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 3 AUGUST 2006.

Mention in Dispatches

Maj R.J. Ritchie - FOR HIS DECISIVE ACTION, COURAGE AND UNWAVERING RESOLVE UNDER FIRE THAT SAVED CANADIAN AND AFGHAN LIVES, JOINT TASK FORCE, AFGHANISTAN, 4 JUNE 2008;

Capt J.H. Hamilton - FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND PRESERVERANCE WHILE COMMANDING RECONNAISSANCE PLATOON, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 3 AUGUST 2006;

Capt R.E. Jurkowski - FOR OUTSTANDING DETERMINATION AND LEADERSHIP AS A COMPANY COMMANDER, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, MAY TO JUNE 2006;

Capt T.J. Pellerine - FOR HIS DECISIVE ACTION, COURAGE AND UNWAVERING RESOLVE UNDER FIRE THAT SAVED CANADIAN AND AFGHAN LIVES, JOINT TASK FORCE, AFGHANISTAN, 4 JUNE 2008;

Lt B. Richard - FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND LEADERSHIP AS A PLATOON COMMANDER, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 3 AUGUST 2006;

WO D.J. Hessell - FOR OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONALISM AND LEADERSHIP AS A PLATOON COMMANDER, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 17 MAY 2006;

Sgt V. Ingram (Posthumous) -

FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND LEADERSHIP AS A MEMBER OF THE PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 3 AUGUST 2006;

MCpl T.W. Fletcher - FOR OUTSTANDING INITIATIVE AND COURAGE WHEN HE SELFLESSLY TOOK COMMAND OF A COMPANY MORTAR CREW WHILE UNDER INTENSE ENEMY FIRE, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 24 JUNE 2006;

MCpl M. Parsons - FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND LEADERSHIP WHEN HE SELFLESSLY MANOUVERED HIS VEHICLE AS A SHIELD AND ESTABLISHED A DEFENSIVE POSITION AROUND THE CASUALTY COLLECTION POINT, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 3 AUGUST 2006;

MCpl D.E. Presley - FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND DETERMINATION WHEN HE VOLUNTARILY DISMOUNTED UNDER HEAVY FIRE TO EXTRACT A STUCK VEHICLE, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 27 JULY 2006;

MCpl K.G. Smith - FOR HIS DECISIVE ACTION, COURAGE AND UNWAVERING RESOLVE UNDER FIRE THAT SAVED CANADIAN AND AFGHAN LIVES, JOINT TASK FORCE, AFGHANISTAN, 4 JUNE 2008;

MCpl G.J. Walsh - FOR HIS DECISIVE ACTION, COURAGE AND UNWAVERING RESOLVE UNDER FIRE THAT SAVED CANADIAN AND AFGHAN LIVES, JOINT TASK FORCE, AFGHANISTAN, 4 JUNE 2008;

MCpl W.J. Woodhouse -

FOR HIS DECISIVE ACTION, COURAGE AND UNWAVERING RESOLVE UNDER FIRE THAT SAVED CANADIAN AND AFGHAN LIVES, JOINT TASK FORCE, AFGHANISTAN, 4 JUNE 2008;

Cpl M. Charlish - FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND DEDICATION WHEN HE EXPOSED HIMSELF TO ENEMY FIRE TO EXTRACT A WOUNDED COMRADE, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 9 JULY 2006;

Cpl S.R. Dusenbury - FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND INITIATIVE WHEN HE SELFLESSLY POSITIONED HIS VEHICLE AS A SHIELD BETWEEN THE ENEMY POSITION AND HIS COMRADES WHILE ENGAGED BY INSURGENT FORCES, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 14 JULY 2006;

Cpl J. Hoekstra - FOR OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONALISM AND LEADERSHIP WHEN HIS COURAGEOUS ACTIONS DURING HEAVY FIGHTING WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN SUPRESSING THE ENEMY, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 3 AUGUST 2006;

Cpl C. Reid (Posthumous) -

FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND DETERMINATION WHEN HE VOLUNTARILY DISMOUNTED UNDER HEAVY FIRE TO EXTRACT A STUCK VEHICLE, PPCLI BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, 27 JULY 2006;

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Meritorious Service Cross (Military Division)

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WO I.W. Long - FOR OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONALISM AND LEADERSHIP IN THE AFTERMATH OF A DEVASTATING SERIES OF IMPROVISED EXPLOSIVE DEVICE STRIKES THAT CLAIMED THE LIVES OF A QUARTER OF HIS PLATOON, CHARLIE COMPANY (3PPCLI), 2 RCR BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, FROM FEBRUARY TO AUGUST 2007.

Meritorious Service Medal (Military Division)

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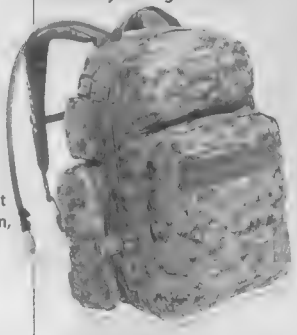

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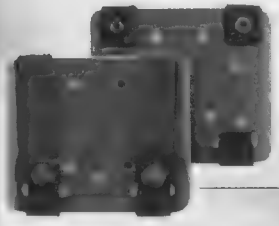

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THE REGIMENTAL MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES

2008 was a year of change and transition at the PPCLI Museum and Archives. Captain Dumas, the Museum and Heritage Officer, was tasked to support the Task Force 1-08 Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team in January 2008. Lieutenant Steve Zivkow joined Regimental Headquarters in late January to continue Captain Dumas's work on several Museum projects and worked with the Museum staff until early July. Lieutenant Colin MacKenzie joined Regimental Headquarters in July and worked on communication projects and event coordination for the remainder of the year. Captain Dumas returned from Afghanistan in September and assumed new duties as the Regimental Adjutant in November. Warrant Officer Ron Gallant, the Assistant Curator, and Sergeant Bruce Graham, the Regimental Archivist, manned the Museum and Archives throughout the year, providing some continuity and working hard to improve the facility, advance several Museum projects and support events such as the Hall of Honour rededication ceremony, and Conference of Defence Ministers in Banff.

The staff worked very hard to improve the Museum and Archives, support Regimental events and unit displays, and prepare for the Regiment's 100th Anniversary in 2014. The audiovisual systems throughout the Gallery were replaced and upgraded with new, more efficient systems. Another major project improved access throughout the Gallery, making it easier for visitors with mobility problems to move through the Trench and Medals displays. Major improvements were made to the Entrance Display and a Colour Case was introduced to showcase the Third Battalion Colours that were retired in Croatia in March 1993. This display will be rotated over time to display the other Colours held by the Museum. Another major project focused on the PPCLI Hall of Honour. Sadly, the names of 18 brave PPCLI soldiers were added to the granite tablets in November so they would be commemorated on Remembrance Day. The lighting in the Hall of Honour was upgraded, the Book of Remembrance was updated, and a new bench was purchased to allow visitors to reflect on the sacrifices made by the 1,857 Patricias who have given their lives for our country on overseas operations. Other projects included improvements to the World War I displays, the World War II weapons display and the Afghanistan display.

Several exceptional medals groups were added to the Museum collection, including Ken Barwise's medals, which include the Military Medal he won at the Battle of Kapyong. These medals will be placed on display at the Second Battalion in accordance with his wishes. Lieutenant Hugh McKenzie and Major Harry Mullin's Victoria Crosses were sent to the Canadian War Museum for inspection and conservation and were returned at the end of the year. Sergeant Robert Spall's Victoria Cross was loaned to the Royal Canadian Artillery Museum in Shilo where it will be displayed until 2011. Work on the Medals Display continues and major improvements to the Regiment's Victoria Cross display will be unveiled in 2009.

Work also carried on behind the scenes. The Museum and Achives offices were moved in April to the Archivists' work area in the new wing of the expanded Museum complex. This allowed the old office areas to be completely renovated. Storage improvements continued as new cabinets were purchased to help protect the Regiment's uniform and clothing collection. Sergeant Graham received new computers and a scanner to support his ongoing efforts to digitize the Regiment's archival materials and photographs. Eventually, this will make the Regiment's history and traditions much more accessible because much of this information will be available on the Internet. The Archives received several important donations, including letters and poems written by soldiers serving in Afghanistan. One of the letters was written by Corporal James Arnal and sent to a Grade 5 class in his hometown shortly before he was killed. While these materials were greatly appreciated, there is a requirement for a much more deliberate archiving effort to create a more complete record of the Regiment's service to Canada. Patricias are asked to consider donating artefacts and archival materials to support academic research and Museum displays. The Museum and Archives are looking for material from Afghanistan, the Balkans, United Nations missions, the Cold War and Korea. The Museum and Archives also need material on domestic operations and training.

Special thanks goes out to the Calgary Branch of the PPCLI Association for their generous fundraising efforts and the provision of experienced volunteers: George Arthurson, Doug Bedford, Dave Cathcart, George Couture, William Davies, Harry Edwards, Nic Ewaskiw, Ron Fraser, Shannon James, Austin Janz, Nicole Lalonde, Kieran Maguire, A.D. (Don) McKay, Ryan Mullens, Russ Piche, Rudy Raidt, Joe Schulz, Sam Simpson, Ken Villager and Bob Zubkowski.

Captain Rick Dumas
Regimental Adjutant

Left to Right: Pte Rob Webster, WO Dave Shultz and MCpl Monty Robson

REGIMENTAL VETERANS CARE CELL

Our primary task is to maintain contact and assist with a growing number of injured soldiers and families of the fallen. With ongoing operations in Afghanistan, as well as regular exercises and unforeseen accidents, our Master Casualty Care Matrix has grown from approx 115 cases to approximately 170. We endeavour to speak with each soldier twice a year to address any new problems or issues where a soldier needs advice or assistance navigating the ever growing Medical Care System.

The PPCLI Regimental Veterans Care Cell (RVC) consists of NCOs working carefully to ensure our wounded and families are looked after. WO Shultz DG and MCpl Robson MP stay current with all existing injured soldiers and families of the fallen as well as a detailed knowledge of who to contact with each specific situation. Also joining the RHQ team is Maj Mark Campbell, transitioning from his former position with the OMLT on TF 1-08. He will be auditing and improving on the existing directives concerning care of the injured. An NCO from 3 PPCLI will be assigned with regularly updating and reporting to RHQ with any new developments from that Battalion. CFB Shilo will be represented by an NCO trained by Sgt Whelan as he is deploying on tour, and don't forget that all reservists and support trades attached to the PPCLI when injured fall under the RVC cell "umbrella".

The RVC cell works closely with all Assisting Officers (AOs), Case Managers (CMs), as well as the newly organized and developed Joint Personnel Support Unit (JPSU). From numerous lessons learned we have recognised that a number of soldiers will leave their platoon after being injured and after weeks and months of recovery, lose contact and the bond they had with that team. The war continues, Army training continues and platoons change personnel from the privates all the way up to platoon commanders and warrant officers. Unfortunately when this happens people are forgotten as the focus must remain on war fighting skills. Enter the PPCLI RVC cell. As soon as a soldier is injured the RVC cell begins to track all pertinent information, meet with the soldier when possible and explain the plethora of resources available from our medical organizations, Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC), Service Income Security Insurance Plan (SISIP), Director Casualty Support Management (DCSM) and the Mental Health system.

The Return to Work Program (RTW) has been more successful than it was in the past due to the soldiers feeling like they are still part of the team. From the time they are injured to the immediately required medical attention, Operation SMALL PACK and somebody to maintain a "soldier to soldier" link after they've left their comrades, the RVC cell ensures that feelings of abandonment or being forgotten are eliminated. We do not discriminate between rank, trade or component and will make all efforts to keep the Chain of Command apprised of new developments and needs of all injured soldiers. Please take the time to visit the JPSU website for more detailed explanation of that unit, as well as contact information.

The Regimental Veterans Care Cell can be reached by phone at CSN 528-5546 or at (780) 973-4011 extension 5546/5505. We are located in the 1 PPCLI building on CFB Edmonton and would like to hear from you at any time.

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Maj G.J. Moorehead
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Sgt D.M. Verge

The following soldiers of the Regiment have taken their retirement after 20 years (more than 20 years is indicated) of dedicated and loyal service:

BGen R.R. Romses, OMM, CD (39 yrs)

Col K.A. Moher, CD (35 yrs)

LCol S.J. Sharpe, MSM, CD (28 yrs) LCol B. Flynn, CD

Maj V.M. Douglas, CD (31 yrs) Maj S.R. Dunn, CD Maj D.A. McKillop, CD (23 yrs)

Capt G.W. Englesby, CD Capt G.D. Smith, CD

CWO M.C.J. Brunelle, MB, CD CWO R.A. Northrup, MSC, CD (31 yrs)
CWO D.G. Palmer, MMM, CD (33 yrs)

MWO A.B. Corbett, CD MWO D.R. Major, CD (27 yrs)

WO R.J. Babineau, CD WO M.C. Boustead, CD (33 yrs) WO J.D. Devine, CD
WO P.D. Gresty, CD (30 yrs) WO E.R. McLean, CD WO S.E. Penney, CD
WO W.R. Snow, CD WO D. Warrington, CD (35 yrs)

Sgt G.R. Anderson, CD Sgt M. Bell, CD Sgt M.D. Leblanc, CD
Sgt A.J. Lowery, CD Sgt R.J. Parrell, CD Sgt L.A. Reeves, CD
Sgt S.P. Sarault, CD Sgt J.A. Schechtel, CD Sgt D.D.W. Smith, CD
Sgt T.L. Smith, CD Sgt L.P. Weber, CD (25 yrs) Sgt R.S. Woodsworth, CD
Sgt T. Yakabowich, CD

MCpl C.A. Kuntz, CD MCpl G.S. Heuser, CD

Cpl D.L. Carroll, CD Cpl R.S. Greene, CD Cpl D.C. Hayward, CD
Cpl K.W. Mansfield, CD Cpl V.A. McKinnon, CD Cpl T.D. Ricker, CD

PPCLI REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

The Regiment established a Regional Representative structure in 2006 to improve career management, succession planning and casualty support. The Regional Representatives are members of the Regimental Executive Committee. PPCLI personnel serving outside of the Battalions and the LFWA Training Centre are represented by:

British Columbia, Alberta (less Edmonton and Wainwright), and The North -	LCol M.B. Bruce/CWO A.R. Chase
Edmonton (serving outside of 1 and 3 PPCLI) -	CO/RSM 3 PPCLI/CWO A.R. Chase
Wainwright	LCol E.L. Haverstock
Saskatchewan and Manitoba -	CO/RSM 2 PPCLI
Ontario/OUTCAN officers (less Ottawa) -	LCol D.J. Banks
Ontario NCMs (less Ottawa) -	CWO G.K. Parrell
Ottawa/Quebec officers -	LCol R.T. Strickland
Ottawa/Quebec/OUTCAN NCMs -	MWO G. Cavanaugh
CANSOFCOM -	LCol R.J. Ford/CWO J.L. Scheidl
French Grey Battalion/Maritimes -	LCol T.M Wilson/CWO J.T. Penney

BASIC INFANTRYMAN QUALIFICATION

Regular Force Basic Infantryman Qualification (BIQ) Serials. Bracketed dates indicate graduation

DP1 Inf 0135 North West Europe (14 March)
Course Officer - Lt T.W. Marryatt Crse 2IC - WO Neil Connors Old Guard CWO V.I. Komadina, MMM, CD, (Ret'd)
Award Winners
Sgt Robert Spall Pte Andrew MacCullum Top Shot Pte Jacob LaFramboise
Most Physically Fit Pte Andrew Penney Most Improved Pte Peter Gould

DP1 Inf 0011 Gothic Line (8 May)
Course Officer Lt D.R. Mudicka Crse 2IC WO William MacDonald Old Guard Sgt F. Goldring, CD, (Ret'd)
Award Winners
Sgt Robert Spall Pte Kyle Chandler Top Shot Pte Terry Allen
Most Physically Fit Pte Mark Daniels Most Improved Pte Colin Jones

DP1 Inf 0012 Leonforte (5 June)
Course Officer Lt J.D. Remillard Crse 2IC Sgt Gerald Shaw Old Guard CWO B.R. Scott, CD, (Ret'd)
Award Winners
Sgt Robert Spall Pte Jesse Evanshen Top Shot Pte Jesse Evanshen
Most Physically Fit Pte Shane Hollmer Most Improved Pte Samuel Drover-Fortin

DP1 Inf 0024 Kapyong (3 July)
Course Officer WO C.E. Parris Crse 2IC WO J.Z. Dunn Old Guard Sgt F. Goldring, CD, (Ret'd)
Award Winners
Sgt Robert Spall Pte Matthew Kelly Top Shot Pte Joshua Richard
Most Physically Fit Pte Sean Cochrane Most Improved Pte Cody Scott

DP1 Inf 0025 Flers-Courcellette (22 July)
Course Officer Lt P.J. Carew Crse 2IC WO Christian Doucet Old Guard CWO V.I. Komadina, MMM, CD, (Ret'd)
Award Winners
Sgt Robert Spall Pte William Bawden Top Shot Pte Chris Venasse
Most Physically Fit Pte Nigel Holt Most Improved Pte Brian Nichol

DP1 Inf 0026 Hitler Line (12 August)
Course Officer Lt D.W. Spielman Crse 2IC WO Neil Connors Old Guard CWO B.R. Scott, CD, (Ret'd)
Award Winners
Sgt Robert Spall Pte Adam Howard-Anderson Top Shot Pte Daniel MacDowall
Most Physically Fit Pte John Hewitt Most Improved Pte Kelly Wolfe

DP1 Inf 0027 France and Flanders (11 September)
Course Officer Capt K.P.J. Udesen Crse 2IC Sgt Craig Goetz Old Guard LCol A.M. Austdal, CD, (Ret'd)
Award Winners
Sgt Robert Spall Pte Vital James Mault Top Shot Pte Gregory Hartwick
Most Physically Fit Pte Robert Carr Most Improved Pte Trevor Eustache

DP1 Inf 0028 Landing In Sicily (29 September)
Course Officer Lt R. Despard Crse 2IC WO William MacDonald Old Guard LCol P. Hofman, CD, (Ret'd)
Award Winners
Sgt Robert Spall Pte Warren Jacobs Top Shot Pte Brian Waldner
Most Physically Fit Pte Brett Wellicome Most Improved Pte Kelsey Stewart

DP1 Inf 0064 North West Europe (17 December)
Course Officer 2Lt C.J. McCutcheon Crse 2IC Sgt Craig Goetz Old Guard Sgt J.F. McEachern, CD, (Ret'd)
Award Winners
Sgt Robert Spall Pte Anthony Haynes Top Shot Pte Tristan Yuzicapi
Most Physically Fit Pte Cody Koesdibyo Most Improved Pte Trevor Borden

On 2 March 2008, after having just taken over the mission, the 2 PPCLI Battle Group suffered the loss of a member of the outgoing tank squadron from the Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians) - Trooper Michael Hayazaki of "C" Squadron. Trooper Hayakaze's vehicle was part of a re-supply patrol which was traveling in the Mushan region of the Panjway District, 45 kilometers west of Kandahar city, when it was struck by an Improvised Explosive Device. The soldier was immediately evacuated from the scene by helicopter to the Multinational Role 3 Medical centre at Kandahar Air Field, but he succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced dead upon his arrival. His vehicle was part of a routine patrol during the time of the incident. Trooper Hayakaze was a member of Lord Strathcona´s Horse (Royal Canadians), based in Edmonton, AB.

On 11 March 2008, Bombardier Jérémie Ouellet, 22, of 1 Royal Canadian Horse Artillery (1 RCHA) died from non-battle injuries. He was on his first operational deployment as part of C Troop, B Battery. He was a member of the 1st Regiment Royal Canadian Horse Artillery (1 RCHA), based in Shilo, MB. Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Tim Bishop said Ouellet was "a dedicated professional soldier" who'd been with the Regiment for nearly four years. He was well known around the Regiment for his ever-present smile and his sense of humour. He was a very proud francophone and his enthusiasm in sharing his language with his peers was well known. He was also a gifted artist and several of his close friends have drawings that were rendered by him and will be treasured forever. He was a dedicated professional soldier and will be sadly missed by all who knew him within the Regiment. His funeral was ably supported by 5e Regiment d'Artillerie Légère du Canada from CFB Valcartier.

On 16 March 2008, 2 PPCLI lost one of its finest and most well-respected leaders – Sergeant Jason Boyes. He was known throughout the battalion as a leader who put his men before himself and the mission above all else. Sergeant Jason Boyes, 32, was killed by an improvised explosive device while participating in a joint Afghan-Canadian foot patrol in the Zangabad region, in the Panjway District, 35 km South-West of Kandahar city. Sgt Boyes was a member of 2nd Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, based out of Shilo, Manitoba. Serving on his third operational deployment to Afghanistan, Sergeant Boyes had a reputation as a role model for soldiers and his peers. His superiors considered him a steadfast, loyal and hard-nosed leader. The 2 PPCLI Rear Party and "A" Company assisted the Boyes' Family with a full military funeral in Shilo that was filled with tributes and commemoration for a warrior and friend. The impact of Jason Boyes' loss to the Second Battalion and the community will be far-reaching and ageless. Our thoughts and support are with his wife Alison, their daughter Mackenzie, Jay's parents and family.

On 4 April 2008, Private Terry Street, a soldier serving with B Company, 2nd Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (2 PPCLI) was killed on operations in Afghanistan. The incident occurred near the village of Zangabad in Panjway District, west of Kandahar city. He was killed when his armoured vehicle struck an Improvised Explosive Device. The soldier was immediately evacuated by helicopter to the Canadian-led multinational hospital at Kandahar Airfield, where he was pronounced dead. Private Street joined 2 PPCLI in Shilo, MB, in December 2006. This was his first overseas deployment. A fun loving soldier, he will be missed by all who knew him. He was twenty-four years old, and grew up in Surrey, B.C. Private Street is survived by his mother Diane, his father William and his brother Nick.

FALLEN PATRICIAS

Corporal Michael Starker was killed in action in Afghanistan on 6 May 2008. He was working with the Provincial Reconstruction Team Force Protection Company (B Company, 1 PPCLI). Corporal Starker was killed when his patrol came under fire in an ambush in the area west of Pashmul, a village in Zharey District, southwest of Kandahar city. He was evacuated to Kandahar Airfield, and was pronounced dead on arrival. Corporal Starker was born in Calgary on 16 February 1972. He joined the Regular Force as an infantryman on 16 August 1990. He was posted to 1 PPCLI upon completion of Battle School. Corporal Starker served in the First Battalion from August 1990 until August 1991, and served in Cyprus with the Battalion. Upon his return from Cyprus, he was posted to 2 Commando, Canadian Airborne Regiment, and served with the Airborne Regiment until it was disbanded in 1995. Corporal Starker returned to the First Battalion in Calgary and served with the Battalion until he took his release in February 1996. Corporal Starker worked as a paramedic with Calgary's Emergency Medical Services for the past nine years. He joined the Reserve Force as a medic in 2003 and worked with the Calgary Detachment of 15 Field Ambulance. Corporal Starker's wife and family live in Calgary, AB.

Capt Richard (Rich) Steven Leary was killed in action in Afghanistan on 3 June 2008. He was serving as a platoon commander in B Company, 2 PPCLI Battle Group. He died from wounds sustained in a firefight near the village of Talukan in Panjwayi District, Kandahar Province. Captain Leary was born in Brantford, Ontario on 11 September 1975. He attended McMaster University, graduating with a BA in History. Captain Leary enrolled in the Canadian Forces as a direct entry officer in January 2004 and was posted to 2 PPCLI on completion of his Basic Infantry Officer training in September 2006. This was his first overseas mission. He leaves behind his wife Rachel, his parents Rick and Gail and his sister Brandy.

Captain Jonathan (Jon) Sutherland Snyder was killed in action in Afghanistan on 7 June 2008. He was serving as a mentor with the Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team and was conducting combined operations with a platoon from the Afghan National Army when he accidently fell into a karez (irrigation well) and drowned in Zharey District, Kandahar. Captain Snyder was born on 20 December 1981 in Penticton, BC. He enrolled in the Canadian Forces in September 2001. He graduated from the University of Victoria with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 2003 and was posted to the First Battalion on completion of his Basic Infantry Officer training in August 2003. Captain Snyder was an exemplary junior officer who was an exceptional leader. He will be remembered as a soldier's soldier who always led from the front, regardless of the risks or hazards involved. Captain Snyder's compassion and care for his soldiers - whether they were Canadian or Afghan – endeared him to all who worked with him. This was his second tour in Afghanistan in the past two years. He was awarded the Star of Military Valour posthumously for his courage under fire. Captain Snyder will be sorely missed by his fiancée Megan, his parents David and Anne and his brother Adam.

Private Wilmot was born on 12 May 1984 in Fredericton, NB. He enrolled in the Canadian Forces in October 2005. He was awarded the Commandant's Shield for being the Top Candidate on his basic medical training course. Upon completion of training Private Wilmot was posted to 1 Field Ambulance in Edmonton, AB. He will be missed by his fiancée Laura Lee English, his step-father Warrant Officer Erik Craig, his step-mother Nancy Craig and his sister Kathleen Mary Kingston.

Corporal James Hayward Arnal was killed in action in Afghanistan on 18 July 2008. Corporal Arnal was serving with the 2 PPCLI Battle Group when he was killed by an Improvised Explosive Device while on a foot patrol in Panjway District. This was his second tour in Afghanistan. Corporal Arnal was born in Kelvington, SK. He joined the Canadian Forces on 22 April 2004. Upon completion of Battle School, he was posted to 2 PPCLI in Shilo, MB. Corporal Arnal leaves behind his mother and step-father Wendy Hayward-Miskiewicz & Ken Miskiewicz; his father and step-mother Raymond & Betty Arnal; and many other family members. Corporal Arnal's grandfather, James Hayward, served the Regiment with the First and Second Battalions and 3 Mechanized Commando, and his Great-Grandfather was a Veteran of World War II.

Master Corporal Joshua Brian Roberts was killed in action in Afghanistan on 9 August 2008. He was serving with the 2 PPCLI Battle Group when he was killed in a firefight in the Zharey District, Kandahar. Master Corporal Roberts was described by his peers as a true brother and friend and by his commanders as a "soldier's soldier". Master Corporal Roberts was a native of Saskatoon, SK. He joined the Canadian Forces in 1996 as a member of the North Saskatchewan Regiment. After serving ten years as a Reservist, he transferred to the Regular Force, joining 2 PPCLI in Shilo, MB. He will be missed by his mother Beth and his stepfather Gene Figley, by his fiancée Lise Malenfant, as well as his sister Adrienne Roberts.

Master Corporal Erin Melvin Doyle was killed in action in the Panjway District, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan on 11 August 2008. Master Corporal Doyle was a member of the Third Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry based in Edmonton, AB. Master Corporal Doyle was serving on his third tour in Afghanistan and was attached to the 2 PPCLI Battle Group. Described by his peers as a "friendly giant" and "true warrior", he was a loyal, dedicated soldier. His commanders describe him as a true professional who would not have wanted to be anywhere but at the front line. Master Corporal Doyle grew up in Kamloops, BC and joined the Canadian Forces in 1996 as a member of the Rocky Mountain Rangers. He transferred to the Regular Force in 1998, joining 3 PPCLI. Master Corporal Doyle was an avid outdoorsman, proud soldier, husband and father. He will be missed by his wife, Corporal Nicole Doyle, his daughter Zarine, his mother Catherine, his step-father Robert Mitchell, his step-mother Barbara Loucks, his four siblings, and extended family.

Three Combat Engineers were killed in action in Zharey District, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan on 20 August 2008. All three soldiers were Combat Engineers from 12 Field Squadron, 1 Combat Engineer Regiment in Edmonton, AB. They were attached to the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Battle Group and were members of an engineer reconnaissance section. They were killed by an Improvised Explosive Device as their patrol traveled along Highway 1, the main highway linking Southern Afghanistan with Kabul. A fourth engineer was wounded in the attack.

Sapper Stephan John Stock was born in Campbell River, BC. He joined the Canadian Forces in 2005 and was posted to 1 CER in Edmonton, AB. Sapper Stock was a confident, competent Engineer, known for his quiet humour and his calm demeanour. He took his job seriously, acting as a mentor to his peers in training. Sapper Stock was a proud Engineer, who had no fear of the mission and died doing what he loved - helping the people of Afghanistan. He will be missed by his mom Leona, his father David and his brother Bryan, as well as his family and friends.

FALLEN PATRICIAS

Corporal Dustin Roy Robert Joseph Wasden was killed in action in the Zharey District, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan on 20 August 2008. Corporal Wasden was a Combat Engineer with 12 Field Squadron, 1 Combat Engineer Regiment in Edmonton, AB. He was attached to the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Battle Group and was a member of an engineer reconnaissance section. Corporal Wasden and two other members of his reconnaissance detachment were killed by an Improvised Explosive Device as his patrol travelled along Highway 1, the main highway linking Southern Afghanistan with Kabul. A fourth engineer was wounded in the same attack. Corporal Wasden was born in Prince Albert, SK and was very proud of his Saskatchewan roots. He joined the Canadian Forces in 2004 and was posted to 1 CER in Edmonton upon graduation. Corporal Wasden was a dedicated family man, a loving husband and father, whose trademark was his ability to tell stories that always made his comrades laugh. Corporal Wasden was proud to serve his country as a Combat Engineer, and strongly believed in his contribution to the mission in Afghanistan. Corporal Wasden had a generous spirit, and he especially loved being able to help the children of Afghanistan. He will be missed by his wife Shannon and his daughter Makayla as well as his family and friends.

Sergeant Shawn Allen Eades was killed in action in the Zharey District, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan on 20 August 2008. Sergeant Eades was a Combat Engineer with 12 Field Squadron, 1 Combat Engineer Regiment in Edmonton, AB. He was attached to the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Battle Group and was commanding an engineer reconnaissance section when he was killed by an Improvised Explosive Device as his patrol travelled along Highway 1, the main highway linking Southern Afghanistan with Kabul. Sergeant Eades and two other members of his reconnaissance detachment were killed, while a fourth engineer was wounded. Sergeant Eades was respected by his subordinates, peers and superiors for his outstanding resourcefulness and professionalism. He was a veteran soldier on his third tour of duty in Afghanistan. Sergeant Eades was born in Hamilton, ON. He joined the Canadian Forces in 1994 and was posted to 1 CER in Edmonton, AB. Sergeant Eades was a very experienced senior Non-Commissioned Officer. He served on four overseas missions including deployments to Kosovo, Kabul and Kandahar. Sergeant Eades was a devoted father who liked to share stories of his children with his colleagues and friends. He was a proud and dedicated soldier who was highly respected by his commanders and the soldiers he served with. He died doing what he loved – being a soldier. Sergeant Eades was committed to helping the people of Afghanistan. He will be missed by his wife Lisa, his daughters Breanna and Niya as well as his family and friends.

Private Chadwick James Horn died on active service in Zharey District, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan on 3 September 2008. He belonged to the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Battle Group. Private Horn and two other soldiers were killed during a firefight with insurgents when their vehicle was struck by an anti-armour weapon. Five other soldiers were wounded in the engagement. Private Chad Horn was born in Calgary, AB on 14 October 1986. He graduated from Henry Wise Wood High School in Calgary in 2004, and joined the Canadian Forces in 2006. He was posted to 2 PPCLI in Shilo, MB upon completion of his Basic Infantry Qualification course in 2007. This was Private Horn's first tour of duty in Afghanistan. He was a brave, dedicated young soldier described by his comrades and superiors as a keen gunner, whose ability to act under fire saved many lives in Afghanistan. Private Horn's personal motto was "For those I love I will sacrifice". He will be missed by his mom Anita Horn and his stepdad Jim Bowes, by his father James Horn, his sister Tiffany Horn, and the rest of his family and friends.

Corporal Michael James Alexander Seggie died on active service near the village of Pashmul in Zharey District, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan on 3 September 2008. He belonged to the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Battle Group serving in Afghanistan. Corporal Seggie and two other soldiers were killed during a firefight with insurgents when their vehicle was struck by an anti-armour weapon. Five other soldiers were wounded in the engagement. Corporal Seggie was born in Calgary, AB on 22 November 1985. He graduated from John Taylor Collegiate High School in Winnipeg MB in 2002. Corporal Seggie joined the Primary Reserve in 2003, and served with the Royal Winnipeg Rifles. In 2006 he transferred to the Regular Force, joining the Second Battalion in Shilo, Manitoba. This was Corporal Seggie's first tour of duty in Afghanistan. He is described by his peers as a great communicator who learned several Pashtu phrases to interact better with the local population in Afghanistan. Corporal Seggie was a proud and dedicated soldier who believed in the Afghanistan mission, and who died doing what he loved – being a soldier. He received the Canadian Expeditionary Force Commander's (CEFCOM) Commendation in Afghanistan. Corporal Seggie came from a military family; his grandfather, uncle and father all served in the Regiment. He will be missed by his mom Shirlie, his dad Master Warrant Officer Jim Seggie (a retired Patricia), his sister Michelle Turner, his nephew Carson Turner, and the rest of his family and friends.

Corporal Andrew Paul Grenon died on active service near the village of Pashmul in Zharey District, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan on 3 September 2008. He belonged to the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Battle Group serving in Afghanistan. Corporal Grenon and two other soldiers were killed during a firefight with insurgents when their vehicle was struck by an anti-armour weapon. Five other soldiers were wounded in the engagement. Corporal Grenon was born in Windsor, ON on 19 January 1985. He graduated from St Joseph's High School in 2002 and joined the Canadian Forces in 2004. He was posted to 2 PPCLI upon completion of his Basic Infantry Qualification course in 2004. This was Corporal Grenon's second tour of duty in Afghanistan. He is described by his peers as having a Warrior's heart, a brave soldier who absolutely believed in the Afghanistan mission, and who died doing what he loved - helping the people of Afghanistan. Corporal Grenon was a proud and dedicated soldier who was highly respected by his commanders and the soldiers he served with. He received the Canadian Expeditionary Force Commander's (CEFCOM) Commendation in Afghanistan. He will be missed by his mom Theresa Charbonneau and stepdad Matthew, his father Paul Grenon and stepmom Cecile, his brother Matthew Charbonneau, his girlfriend Krista Sierens, and his family and friends.

Sergeant Scott Shipway was killed by an Improvised Explosive Device in Panjway District, Kandahar, Afghanistan on Sunday, 7 September 2008. He was travelling on a main supply route between Kandahar and Panjway in a LAV-III light armoured vehicle when the attack occurred. Seven other soldiers were wounded in the blast. All eight soldiers were serving with the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Battle Group, based in Shilo MB. Sergeant Shipway was born in Harlow, Essex, United Kingdom on 13 January 1972. He emigrated to Canada with his parents and grew up in Saskatchewan. Sergeant Shipway enrolled in the Canadian Forces in January 1991. He served with 2 Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, the First Battalion, the Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians), the Land Force Western Area Training Centre and the Second Battalion. Sergeant Shipway was serving on his second tour in Afghanistan. A very dedicated and experienced soldier, he also served in Cyprus, Bosnia and Kosovo. He was awarded the Mention in Dispatches for his actions in the wake of an Improvised Explosive Device incident near the Village of Pada in the Shah Wali Kot District in Northern Kandahar Province on 21 June 2006. Sergeant Shipway helped save a fellow Patricia who lost both his legs in the explosion.

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ALPHA COMPANY

The soldiers of A Company, 1 PPCLI, began 2008 preparing for the eventual deployment to Afghanistan slated to occur in September 2009. A busy and exciting year, A Company conducted four individual training cycles and deployed on four field exercises, including an international exercise to Hawaii.

The year began as the previous year had ended. January and February saw A Company conducting individual training with LAV III courses and practicing basic soldier skills to eventually build the teams that will win the fights in Afghanistan. A young and energetic company, A Company deployed to Dundurn, Saskatchewan for Exercise PRAIRIE SPARTAN in March. Focusing on individual soldier skills and section level tactics, the exercise culminated in an eighteen-hour fighting patrol and subsequent enemy ambush.

Upon re-deployment to Edmonton and after spring leave, the company conducted more training courses and prepared for Exercise THOR'S HAMMER. Slightly more comprehensive than Dundurn, Exercise THOR'S HAMMER took place in CFB Suffield in May and June. After some weapons and refresher training, each section conducted a complex attack in an Afghanistan-focused scenario. Thereafter each platoon rotated through an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) convoy range and a platoon attack with artillery support.

The highlight for the majority of the soldiers was a six-week deployment to Hawaii to participate in RIMPAC 2008. It was a major international exercise involving nations from the Pacific Rim that took place from June to August. A Company stayed on US Marine Corps Base Hawaii at Kaneohe Bay and worked closely with the US Marine Third Regiment.

The exercise was split into two phases. The first phase involved prerequisite training to support the conduct of Non-Combatant Evacuation Operation (NEO) exercises. The training consisted of fast-roping from a Marine CH-53 Sea Stallion, Emergency Egress training from a helicopter, as well as weapons ranges and introductory courses to Marine Amphibious Assault vehicles and the Marine Corps Martial Arts Program.

After a short R & R period over the 4th of July weekend, we boarded the LHD-6 USS Bonhomme-Richard to commence with Phase 2. Assigned to the airmobile role for the ground portion of the exercise, A Company conducted helibourne exercises out of Kauai and Oahu the first week on the ship. Living on the ship in cramped quarters and on a different operational tempo was a completely new and different experience for most of our soldiers. As the second week commenced, we boarded CH-53 Sea Stallions and landed on the Eastern shore of Oahu to conduct a four-day rehearsal of an NEO scenario. 1 Platoon was assigned to secure a beachhead to facilitate follow-on forces, 2 Platoon secured the Canadian Embassy, and 3 Platoon safeguarded a village and aided in the evacuation

of civilians. During an operational pause, A Company performed a dismounted assault on a nearby village. The first iteration was so successful that the second attack saw master corporals and corporals provide the leadership in the platoons. After learning a tremendous amount about airmobile operations, we returned back to the USS Bonhomme-Richard to conduct a raid against a suspected Improvised Explosive Device (IED) cell. A Company conducted the NEO exercise in conjunction with the US Marines and the Indonesian Army. Overall, the exercise was highly successful and the soldiers of A Company went on a well-deserved, four-day R & R period in Waikiki for their efforts. The soldiers of A Company departed Hawaii with a new set of skills, once-in-a-lifetime experiences, and mutual respect for the United States Marine Corps.

When A Company returned from summer leave, 2 Platoon was detached to help form Delta Company. With a platoon gone and the majority of the leadership changed, there were many new faces within the company lines. Within days of returning, the company started to prepare for a possible NEO deployment to Haiti as a result of a turbulent hurricane season. After a few weeks of preliminary planning, a deployment was not required and the company stood down and resumed preparations for Afghanistan.

With our new focus now on Afghanistan, A Company participated on Exercise VULCAN's FORGE at CFB Shilo in October to build the skills, trust, and leadership that will carry the company into 2009 and deployment. A Company ended 2008 with a memorable Christmas season, ready to return in 2009 to begin pre-deployment training.

BRAVO COMPANY

In mid-January, Bravo Company returned to work after some combined Christmas and deployment leave, which most of us put to good use by spending it with our families and friends. For the next four weeks, we hurriedly completed final preparations for our upcoming operational deployment to Afghanistan. Attached to the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team (KPRT), Bravo Company assumed the mantle of Force Protection Company (FP Coy) for the KPRT within Task Force 1-08. Throughout the month of February, the FP Coy deployed to Afghanistan. Just hours after our arrival at Kandahar Airfield (KAF), we relocated to Camp Nathan Smith - the home of the KPRT, nestled right in the heart of the city of Kandahar. We immediately began a handover with our Rotation 4 counterparts in Delta Company of the First Battalion, Royal 22e Régiment and assumed our new duties; by all accounts, this handover went incredibly smooth. As the FP Coy, we were charged not only with the defence of Camp Nathan Smith but also with providing force protection to members of the KPRT while on dismounted and mounted patrols outside the wire. Comprised of soldiers from the Canadian Forces and Canadian and American civilians, these personnel represented the main effort of the KPRT's mission, and they included Civil-Military Cooperation (CIMIC), the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT), the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), Civilian Police (CIVPOL), Correction Services Canada (CSC), the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the United States Department of State (US DoS). Whether it was protecting members of a CIMIC team while they consulted with local tribal elders on prospective reconstruction projects during a shura or safeguarding members of CSC while they mentored guards at Sarposa prison, FP Coy did its job proudly, as enablers of governance, reconstruction and development.

In Afghanistan, Bravo Company proudly enjoyed a number of key successes. Besides conducting our normal force protection duties for KPRT members, we also maintained a robust Quick Reaction Force (QRF) based out of Camp Nathan Smith. On duty 24/7, this QRF responded to countless tips from civilians and the Afghan National Security Forces (ANSF) about Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) emplaced both in and outside of the city of Kandahar. Once on site, the QRF established cordons which protected Afghan civilians from these suspected IEDs and enabled members of Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD) and the Tactical Exploitation Teams (TET) to perform their essential work safely. Encouraged by the steady increase in tips, Bravo Company did its part in making the streets of Kandahar safer.

Bravo Company also proudly supported some of the first engineering assessments of The Dahla Dam. Located on the Arghandab River, the Dahla Dam is the second largest dam in the country and is the most vital piece of agricultural infrastructure in Kandahar province. Now named as one of Canada's three signature projects in Afghanistan, a $50 million dollar project to rehabilitate The Dahla Dam has recently been approved by the Government of Canada. This project seeks to improve the individual lives of Kandaharis by providing them with a secure water supply, jobs, and the capacity to increase agricultural productivity.

During the height of the summer, Bravo Company braved temperatures that regularly soared above 50°C. Recognizing the stresses of the challenging environmental conditions and a busy patrolling schedule, our Officer Commanding (OC), Major Rich Raymond spearheaded a number of fun, team-building activities for the company. These activities included a 24-hour relay and a Strongman Competition. Both activities provided a welcome reprieve and boosted morale. Bravo Company also

enjoyed a visit, on 12 August, from our Colonel-in-Chief, Madame Adrienne Clarkson. Taking the extraordinary step of delaying our formal celebration of the Regimental birthday by two days, we did so in order to celebrate it with Madame Clarkson. Taking time to speak with all members of the company individually, she impressed all of us by her strong desire to take time out of her busy schedule and visit with us in theatre.

Celebrating our Regimental Birthday with the Colonel-in-Chief

Bravo Company also shared in its fair number of difficult taskings, responding to the carnage wrought by Taliban attacks against a Kandahar dog-fighting festival on 17 February and Sarposa Prison on 13 June. We also had a number of difficult days, wherein we had to say goodbye to our fallen comrades. Perhaps none was more difficult than when we said goodbye to medic and fellow member of the KPRT, Corporal Mike Starker on 6 May, and fellow member of the First Battalion, Captain Jon Snyder on 7 June.

For all the difficult days, long hours and hard work of the tour, all of us in Bravo Company could see the incremental progress being made on the ground in Afghanistan. Whether it was the marked improvement in the size and efficacy of the Afghan National Police (ANP), the increase in the number of schools and young girls attending them for the first time, or the massive increase in local tips pertaining to IEDs, progress on all fronts was being made – albeit slowly. Indeed, having been transplanted from a society where both instant results and gratification are the norm, all of us came to understand intimately the difficulties and slow pace of reconstruction in the fourth poorest nation in the world; it has become our message to the Canadian public now that we have returned.

With our time in Afghanistan complete, Bravo Company began the long journey home throughout the month of September. Stopping first in Cyprus for a few days of decompression, we were all home by the first week of October. After three days of work back at the Battalion, we all went on roughly a month of post-deployment leave. Providing an opportunity to relax, this leave, more importantly, allowed us some time to reconnect with our families and a chance to reintegrate to the larger Canadian Homefront. Returning to work in November, Bravo Company welcomed a number of fellow 1 PPCLI soldiers from TF 1-08's Operational Mentoring and Liaison Teams (OMLT) and the Battle Group (BG). Supporting

the rest of the Battalion as it gears up to be the TF 3-09 BG, Bravo Company has begun the long process of reconstitution and anxiously awaits the challenges and opportunities of 2009.

CHARLIE COMPANY

Between five Primary Combat Function (PCF) Cycles, three battalion exercises, and two company exercises, 2008 represented a major re-focus for C Company. The transition from a post Task Force (TF) 1-06 reconstitution to TF 3-09 preparation has proven to be a challenging phase. With a vast number of new qualifications and appointments, the soldiers of C Company drank from the fire hose and truly rose to the challenge.

The exercise cycle began with a frigid road move to Dundurn in March. Exercise PRAIRIE SPARTAN tested section and platoon leadership throughout the dismounted patrol exercise. The Officer Commanding (OC) Major Bill Laidlaw, and Company Sergeant Major (CSM), Master Warrant Officer Wayne Sauve, directed that the focus would be on establishing platoon patrolling Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and improving fieldcraft. A Level 3 live fire ambush competition represented the culminating point of the exercise. The battalion-level competition was won by C Company's 8 Platoon whose platoon commander, Capt Mike MacKillop, was soon moved to command Reconnaissance Platoon following the exercise, while Platoon Second-in-Command (2IC) Sgt Mike Reid was rewarded with a posting to Wainwright.

Sgt Kelly Stewardson recieves Commander's Commendation from LCol Jerry Walsh

While finalizing the Infantry Platoon Support Weapons Qualification (IPSWQ) and Light Armoured Vehicle (LAV III) course ranges in CFB Suffield throughout early May, Exercise THOR'S HAMMER field firing range complexes were being built in Area Eagle. Under the direction of the new OC, Major Wade Rutland, and the new CSM, Master Warrant Officer Ray Brodeur, C Company began refining Fighting in Built-up Areas (FIBUA) drills and basic shooting skills before beginning the field firing phase of the exercise. The Assault Range (pairs fire and movement with M203 Grenade launcher and hand grenades) gave new troops the chance to the see the effects of their 40mm High-Explosive (HE) rounds at close-range. The Level 2.5 Range, supported by 1 Royal Canadian Horse Artillery (RCHA), gave section commanders the opportunity to perform live danger-close fire missions before completing a mechanized section attack on an enemy compound. Elements of 1 RCHA and 1 Combat Engineer Regiment (CER) supported the final range: a live mechanized platoon attack on a series of buildings in a mixed urban/rural setting. The provision of these enablers helped improve the company's interoperability with the supporting arms, a trend that continued throughout the year's training.

1 PPCLI Corporals promoted to Master Corporal

Exercise ARMOURED SAPPER was a 1 CER-led exercise conducted in Wainwright throughout June. C Company provided the Company Headquarters (HQ) and a mechanized platoon to support the exercise, which culminated in a combat team (minus) live-fire range aimed at validating the TF 1-09 Armoured Troop. The exposure to a wide variety of engineer tasks proved to be an excellent development experience for the company leadership. MCpl Frank of 7 Platoon provided the simplest yet most valid point of the final AAR: "having more time in the field working together as Infantry and Engineers would really help us improve our combined arms skills."

Company Exercises MITNAL and ABASSI were aimed at refining basic soldier skills and completing general Infantry Battle Task Standards. They were conducted concurrently with the Summer and Fall PCF cycles and all troops not loaded on a course participated. Training activities ranged from First Aid refresher training to Small Arms Trainer (SAT)/Indirect Fire Trainer (IFT) coaching to Quick Aim

Shooting ranges. A company basics plan was also implemented this fall to provide a weekly review of key Infantry skills, job knowledge and Pashtu phrases, ultimately ensuring our soldiers are fully prepared to deploy as a part of the 1 PPCLI Battle Group (BG) in 2009.

The year's final exercise took place in October: Exercise VULCAN'S FORGE. With various ranges throughout CFB Shilo, C Company took part in the build-up to a three-part platoon attack, supported by 1 CER, 1 RCHA and the Lord Strathconas Horse (Royal Canadians). Explosive breaching, live Tube Launched, Optically Guided, Wire controlled (TOW) missiles, danger-close 105mm artillery, casualty simulation, Improvised Explosive Devices' and a counter-attack, followed by the establishment of an attack-by-fire position, provided plenty of battle space distractions, testing the leadership's command and control. A highlight of the exercise was the company Military Skills Competition, won by 2 Section of 8 Platoon. For his victory, Section Commander Master Corporal Porter was moved back to Section Second-in-Command (2IC) after the exercise.

In order to ensure the company never got bored, C Company carried the Non-Combatant Evacuation Operation (NEO) task for a large part of the year (until A Company took over and went to Hawaii), as well as the TF 1-08 Operational Reserve task. One Officer, one NCO and 16 soldiers from the Company were deployed to support the 2 PPCLI Battle Group, the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team and the 3 PPCLI Operational Mentor and Liaison Team (OMLT).

As our new deployment date draws nearer, company training continues to gain momentum. After one more PCF cycle, followed by a month of Theatre Mission-Specific Training (TMST), we will begin Exercises DESERT RAM and MAPLE GUARDIAN. Although we have significantly progressed down the Road to War, there is still much work to be done. With leadership able to draw from first-hand experiences on TF 1-06 and TF 1-08, C Company will be well-prepared for deployment as the Strike Force 3-09 Battle Group.

DELTA COMPANY

In early 2008, the Battalion learned that a fourth rifle company would be stood up to support the 1 PPCLI Battle Group, which will deploy to Afghanistan in late 2009. Platoons from Alpha and Charlie Company, new recruits and members from the Third Battalion were used to form Delta Company. In late August 2008, just after summer leave block ended, the company stood up. The mix of personnel from all of the differing units proved to be very beneficial with a wide array of experience coming together to create a strong core.

Delta Company hit the ground running after being stood up, beginning with a cycle of Primary Combat Function (PCF) courses. These included LAV III Driver, LAV III Gunner/Crew Commander, IPSWQ, and Driver Wheel Courses. As well, a cycle of Primary Leadership Qualification Modules 1-5 was run

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which was required training to prepare junior NCOs for leadership positions. These courses improved the company's combat capability, helping to build a solid base of skills from which to start. During this cycle of courses the Battalion held its annual French Grey Cup football tournament. Although Delta Company came up short in its bid for the championship, a solid effort was given and fun was had by all.

Delta Company further developed their combat skills during Exercise VULCAN'S FORGE Parts 1 and 2. Part 1 of Exercise VULCAN'S FORGE was conducted almost exclusively at the Edmonton Garrison. The training included conventional weapons ranges for C-7 rifle and C-9 Light Machine Gun (LMG), M203 grenade launcher, as well as running through urban operations scenarios and other low level training. This was all preparation for Part 2 of the exercise, which was conducted in the CFB Shilo training area in Manitoba.

The month of October was spent training in Shilo on Exercise VULCAN'S FORGE, Part 2, which encompassed another wide array of ranges. These included conventional support weapons ranges all the way up to a full-scale platoon attack range in a complex environment. Conventional support weapons ranges included firing the 84mm Carl Gustav rocket launcher, C19 Claymore, M203 grenade launcher, throwing hand grenades and firing the 25mm cannon on the LAV III. The more complex

Soldiers of Delta Coy conducting Battle Procedure during Ex VULCAN'S FORGE October 2008

ranges exercised troops from the fire team level through section, up to platoon level. These ranges increased in complexity and challenged everyone to think on their feet and react to changing situations. Some of the things that were exercised included: casualty care, calling in artillery strikes, reacting to IEDs and operating in an urban setting. For many of the troops this was the first time seeing some of these aspects of war-fighting and it proved to be a valuable learning experience for them and their commanders.

Exercise VULCAN'S FORGE proved to be challenging on all levels and allowed Delta Company to work out all of the growing pains associated with forming a new rifle company. All of the new troops and all of the new leadership had a chance to work together, many for the first time. Having a relatively new company did not hamper the stellar effort of the officers and soldiers. Training was a success with the company coming together to build a cohesive and effective fighting force.

The return from Shilo saw Delta Company get back to another PCF cycle which included another round of LAV III Gunner/Crew Commander, LAV III Driver, Primary Leadership Qualification Modules 1-5 and IPSWQ courses. These courses built on the skills acquired throughout the preceding months and enhanced the combat capability of the company. The cycle ran through December up to the annual Christmas block leave. Before departing on Christmas leave, members of the company participated in the annual "silly season," which included the Soldiers' Christmas dinner, as well as hockey games pitting the corporals and privates versus master corporals and the senior NCOs versus the officers. Delta Company finished 2008 feeling confident and ready for the upcoming challenges of 2009.

COMBAT SUPPORT COMPANY

The year of 2008 was a very busy and productive year for our Combat Support Company. The company took part in multiple exercises and courses throughout the year, sharpening our skills for future exercises and operations.

RECONNAISSANCE PLATOON

Reconnaissance (Recce) Platoon ran a Basic Reconnaissance course from April to May. This course was different from previous courses, in that it was conducted mostly away from the battalion. CFB Shilo was the platoon's first location for training, where instructors taught candidates basic recce skills. The candidates and instructors took part in multiple navigational exercises, consisting of both day and night, and dismounted and mounted. The platoon also worked with the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery (RCHA) to give soldiers a chance to act as forward observers and to call in live mortar fire. Once the training had finished in Shilo, the platoon conducted another road move to CFB Dundurn. Here, the troops were able to improve their skills on the M203 Grenade Launcher, the C19 Claymore and the C6 General Purpose Machine Gun mounted on the Gun Shield Kit. Along with the live ranges conducted in Dundurn, watermanship was also taught to the soldiers. The course concluded with a two week patrol exercise in Ghost River, Alberta, where the troops were also qualified on Basic Mountain Operations.

In October 2008, Recce Platoon returned to CFB Shilo to participate in Exercise VULCAN'S FORGE, where the platoon was responsible for constructing and proving 2.5 and 3.5 ranges. During the proving of the ranges the Platoon set, a high standard of Close Quarter Battle for the rifle companies to meet. The remainder of the year saw Recce Platoon conducting low level training, such as rappelling, radio procedures, Close Quarter Battle, and call for fire, to name a few. We also sent some members to local schools for Remembrance Day activities and participated in Canada-wide Remembrance Day

LCol Jerry Walsh exchanges tunics with the Battalion's youngest Private - Pte Steven Main

ceremonies.

The New Year will bring a long anticipated exercise in Fort Irwin National Training center in Californ where we will conduct training on patrolling, observation skills and slant angle shooting with the C9 Li Machine Gun, C7 Rifle and M203 Grenade Launchers.

SIGNALS PLATOON

Signals Platoon also had a busy year. The Platoon participated in three exercises with the Battal On these exercises, Signals Platoon was responsible for operating the Tactical Operations Cent Radio Rebroadcast Bases, maintaining and controlling the Battalion's communication equipment. Personnel from the Platoon were also assigned to several Basic Communication courses, to keep t Battalion soldiers up to date on communications equipment and procedures. Also, several perso stepped up for a task to instruct a communications course at 1 Combat Engineer Regiment (CER) li during their summer block leave to ensure the engineers would have the best training possible.

A Signals Operator was also sent abroad to Germany to participate in the NATO-led Exercise COMBIN

1 PPCLI Signals Officer, Capt Bryan Blyth, serving beer to Delta Coy soldiers

ENDEAVOUR. This task allowed Signal Operators from all NATO countries to work together to ens that all communications equipment was compatible. This task was very important, in that it will allow more and easier ways to communicate with our allies when conducting joint operations.

Signals Platoon foresees another busy year with work up training and operational requirements t must be met, and is prepared and excited to meet these new challenges.

SNIPERS

The Sniper Cell was extremely busy in 2008 due to a large workload and lack of personnel. Snipers were tasked out to all of the Battalion's training exercises and were also used to help train new troops on the Basic Recce Course during the months of April and May. After completing the instruction of stalking, camouflage and concealment, judging distance and observation exercises, the Snipers returned to Edmonton to start preparing for instructing on the Basic Sniper Course, which was held immediately after the Basic Recce Course in CFB Dundurn. The course ran for ten weeks and consisted of basic sniper skills, as well as classes on the effects of projectiles on the human body. There was also an in depth E & E (escape and evasion) package where the Saskatoon City Police Department brought in their tracking dogs to make the E & E more realistic and challenging. After the completion of the Basic Sniper Course, the cell rejuvenated its ranks and began conducting low level training until the New Year.

In 2009, 1 PPCLI snipers will accompany Recce Platoon to Fort Irwin National Training center in California to practice and hone their skills and to instruct Recce Platoon in slant angle shooting.

ADMINISTRATION COMPANY

As with much of the rest of the battalion, 2008 was a hectic year for Administration (Admin) Company, especially with the continuing evolution of the echelon system in Afghanistan. The year of 2008 was a year marked with personnel changes, intense training, and a focussed re-orientation to High Readiness training for deployment.

In the spring of 2008, we deployed as part of the battalion on Exercise THOR'S HAMMER in Suffield and supported the battalion in a series of ranges. Facing a series of challenges posed by policy (especially ammunition), distance, shortages of personnel and equipment, and Mother Nature herself, Admin Company began the long process of preparing for Task Force 3-09. Once Sergeant Manzara's new plan for ammo was implemented, supply for the exercise got into a groove and the Company

practiced dispersed resupply. Admin Company also began integrating with the rifle companies fo convoy drills, which formed a basis for training later in the year.

At the end of July, Major Quentin Innis handed the reins of Admin Company over to Major Rya Jurkowski. After a few weeks, these reins were then handed over to Major Darcy Wright, and the Secon in-Command position was passed from Captain Tim Walshaw to Lieutenant Dawn Dussault (who a s became the Transport Officer). After completing his tour with the Operational Mentoring Liaison Tea on Task Force 1-08, Master Warrant Officer Don Reid replaced Master Warrant Officer Ray Brodeur a the Company Sergeant Major. There was also a major influx of troops into the Company, especial in Transport Platoon, which triggered mass training on the HLVW variants. Maintenance Platoon w a hard at work on the ensuring the operational readiness of vehicles, and did yeoman's work through the year as they dealt with the competing priorities of inspections, Primary Combat Function cours es exercise preparations, and Whole Fleet Management.

In September, the Battalion deployed to CFB Shilo to execute Exercise VULCAN'S FORGE, wh served as the first, full stride on the Road to War. Admin Company practiced low-level integration w i 1 Service Battalion, experimented with various forms of service delivery, and highlighted their port of the exercise with multiple iterations of a live fire convoy range. The range scenario was flexi b and challenging, and the multiple iterations allowed for a broad gamut of convoy packages and dri l s from recovery in contact to counter-ambush, to be practiced in live conditions. One of the key poi n hammered home was the fact that in a full spectrum environment, all echelons have to be prepared f full spectrum operations. In short, at the coal face, there is little difference between a platoon atta c and recovering a burning LAV III under fire once a two way range begins. This was a sobering less o for a lot of troops new to the A Echelon, and will serve them well in the months to come.

The Christmas season brought a satisfying close to a busy year, and was a chance to wind down bef o

WO Jamie Varner presents the ceremonial turkey to the head table

1 PPCLI Soldiers' Christmas Dinner

the anticipated tornado of activity to come in January. Maj Wright organized the traditional Soldiers' Christmas Dinner, and it was a great chance for the Company, who often works so dispersed, to sit down and enjoy the feeling of the holidays without grease and diesel fuel on their clothes.

In the year ahead, Admin Company will continue to meet challenges head on, and overcome them in order to support the battalion's operatio n s The company motto, "No Matter What" is coming into its own, and looking forward to Exercise DESE R RAM and Exercise MAPLE GUARDIAN, and the deployment of the Battle Group in the fall, it will for the linchpin of how Admin Company does business.

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The theme of this year's publication of The Patrician is "Continuing the Fight." This year we mark th 94th anniversary of the founding of our regiment, the 55th anniversary of the end of the Korean W and the 15th anniversary of the action at Medak Pocket. 2008 once again saw the Princess Patric Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) as a wartime regiment. This was keenly felt in the Second Battali which formed the core of the Task Force 1-08 Battle Group (BG) in Afghanistan. For the Seco Battalion, 2008 was a busy year. It was one of satisfaction and exhilaration but also of sacrifice. It be remembered for the great things accomplished on operations, for the memory of our fallen and f the ceaseless and untiring support of the Rear Party and families at home as well as the organizatio that supported them.

Following the return from Christmas Block Leave at the beginning of January, the Second Battalion mo into the final phases of preparation for deployment. This included training, briefings and administrat which was to be completed by the beginning February to allow for pre-deployment leave. The highli of January was the Task Force 1-08 Farewell Ceremony and Family Day held on 19 January 2008. Th send-off, planned and supported by the Rear Party and personnel from A Company, was an excell opportunity for family and friends to come out and support deploying soldiers along with the Rear Pa CFB Shilo and the greater community. It was attended by the Colonel of the Regiment, the Lieuten Governor of Manitoba and the Area Commander.

7 Platoon, Charlie Company conducts a foot patrol near Jelawur in Arghandab Province. Pte Reid of 2 Section in the foreground.

By the first week of February, the initial chalks began deploying into theatre. By the end of the month, th Second Battalion was largely established in Kandahar as the Task Force 1-08 BG. Though comprise mainly of 2 PPCLI personnel, the BG also included two platoons from 3 PPCLI, sub-units from Edmont and Valcartier and individual augmentees from across the country. After arriving in theatre, the B conducted a handover with the 3rd Battalion Royal 22nd Regiment. The formal transfer of authori took place on 29 February when Lieutenant-Colonel Dave Corbould, Commanding Officer of 2 PPCL assumed responsibility for the BG's area of operations (AO). Recognition is due to the Rear Party an A Company who supported every aspect of the deployment and due in part to whose efforts the BG wa able to "hit the ground running" once in theatre.

The first month for the 2 PPCLI BG was a busy one. For those who deployed, it was spent adjustin

to the situation and fine-tuning procedures and routines. The BG began to familiarize itself with and expand the AO. The soldiers and leaders performed well and with a great degree of professionalism. March was a month of achievements but also sobering as the BG and the Second Battalion experienced its first casualties of the rotation.

By the time April arrived, the BG was decidedly acclimatized to the operating environment. Having moved beyond the initial phase of deployment, the focus was on digging deeper into the area of operations. Sub-units responded to the challenges and unique dynamics of their respective AOs. Some of these challenges were cultural, others political and some based upon the overall insurgent threat. Progress was slow, as to be expected, but was clearly visible as there were many signs of positive change. B Company engaged in operations in the Panjwayi District aimed at re-supplying our combat outposts. C Company conducted operations in Arghandab and Shah Wali Kot Districts. Headquarters and Services Company continued to develop its support and command functions throughout the AO, learning what

Members of the Battle Group moving back to FOB Ma'sum Ghar after a foot patrol Left foreground Cpl Iten and Right foreground Cpl "Rocky" Leblanc

worked most effectively. While the BG was strengthening their position in the AO, the Rear Party found time in their busy schedule supporting the BG to celebrate Kapyong Day with the customary parade, Broom-a-loo and the Senior NCOs "At Home" to the Officers' Mess. Training and ranges also continued as usual for the Rear Party throughout this period.

The month of May saw a continuation of successful operations and signs of progress in the AO. The BG worked closely with the Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team (OMLT) and the Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) and with other agencies to improve conditions in the various districts they were responsible for. It was also the end of the poppy harvest and the start of the fighting season. As such, the BG focused the majority of its effort in Zharey-Panjwayi. June was another busy month for the Second Battalion BG. There was a noticeable increase in the effectiveness of operations focused on tackling insurgent activities across the AO. The infamous prison break in Kandahar City resulted in the call for the BG to deploy north of the city to clear Arghandab District of insurgents. This operation was launched within 24 hours of the incident and, over three days, was successful in defeating the insurgents threatening the city.

July and August were focused on combat operations. The BG AO was realigned freeing up C Company to become a manoeuvre group to operate across the BG AO. During the second week of August, the

Madame Clarkson, Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment, enjoys a meal with soldiers of the 2 PPCLI Battle Group in Afghanistan

Regiment's senior leadership visited the deployed soldiers. The Colonel-in-Chief, Madame Clarkso and her husband John Ralston Saul visited Kandahar accompanied by Major-General Semianiw, Ch of Military Personnel/Senior Serving Patricia, Brigadier-General Gollner, Colonel of the Regiment a Land Force Western Area Commanders and Commanding Officers. These included Colonel An Corbould, Commander 1 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group, and Lieutenant-Colonel Jerry Wal the First Battalion Commanding Officer. By all accounts, they were impressed with the professionali and commitment of our soldiers. Once the Colonel-in-Chief departed, the BG launched its larg operation of the rotation. A square combat team with numerous enablers rolled through insurg occupied ground in Zharey District. This 72 hour operation set the conditions for our next major activ the Relief-in-Place with 3rd Battalion, The Royal Canadian Regiment (RCR) BG.

With the end of August, lead elements of the 3 RCR BG began to arrive in Kandahar. The month September saw a dual focus of maintaining pressure on the enemy and conducting the Relief-in-Pla

6 Platoon, Bravo Company shaking out for a Patrol

Joint Operations in Pashmul

with the incoming BG. A number of operations were conducted and valuable, hard-earned knowledge passed on. The official transfer of authority to Task Force 3-08 took place on 22 September. October and November were defined by decompression and well-deserved post-deployment leave for BG personnel. If things had not been busy enough for the Rear Party, they now shifted their attention to the task of laying the necessary groundwork for the return to duty of the Battalion.

Everyone's best friend - Cpl Leblanc and the C6

The month of November also saw the subalterns of the Second Battalion travel to Edmonton for Exercise RIC-A-DAM-DOO, indoctrination into the Regiment conducted with the First and Third Battalions. For Remembrance Day, the Second Battalion participated in a number of ceremonies in the Western Manitoba area. The main ceremony was conducted at the Brandon Keystone Centre with Lieutenant-Colonel Corbould giving the address. A Memorial Service and Welcome Home Ceremony were held on the 14th and 15th of November respectively. December was focused on preparing for a busy 2009

Crossing the Arghandab River, Arghandab Province

The Task Force RSM, CWO White, rests with Charlie Company Headquarters personnel during Operation NOLA I

and, of course, taking some much needed Christmas leave. Traditional Christmas ceremonies were th focus as personnel settled into their new appointments within the Battalion.

MCpl Crowston finds some shade in Pashmul

The "TOC" - Tactical Operations Centre

2008 was a memorable year for the Second Battalion. We reflect on the past year with satisfaction over what was accomplished and forever commit to memory the sacrifices made. However, there is little time to reflect. As we begin the New Year, "hitting the ground running" as usual, we look with anticipation to the tasks ahead. It will be another busy year for the Second Battalion as we train and prepare A th Company and Task Force 3-09 for deployment and prepare for the upcoming Olympics in 2010.

WO Abrahamse enroute to Combat Outpost HAJI

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OMLT TF 1-08

The Operational Mentor and Liaison Team (OMLT) for Task Force 1-08 was based on 3 PPCLI and deployed to Kandahar Province with the 2 PPCLI Battle Group from February to October 2008. Initially commanded by LCol Dan Drew, the unit started with only 60 personnel in April of 2007 when it stood up, but in the course of the work-up training swelled to three times that size due to the strategic focus on increasing the capability of the Afghan National Army (ANA) and Afghan National Police (ANP)

OMLT TF 1-08

The role of the OMLT was to foster professionalism in the ANA and ANP through mentorship and the leadership example of the commanders and staff. The sub-unit was based on the "company team" which consisted of a Company Commander Mentor who was normally the rank of Captain; a Company Sergeant Major Mentor, normally the rank of Warrant Officer; and two corporal/privates who acted as driver/gunners for the RG-31 team vehicle. The OMLT also provided mentorship at the Battalion level,

WO John McNabb

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termed a "Kandak" by the Afghans, as well as Brigade and Corps levels (there is no Afghan equivalent of a division). The four-man company teams lived and fought with their ANA/ANP counterparts, at times in completely isolated locations, mainly in Zharey and Panjwayi districts of Kandahar Province.

The tour started off slowly when the OMLT first arrived in theatre in February. The cool nights and relatively calm daily patrols were a stark contrast to future events, and had some Patricias longing for a bit of action to break up the monotony. But with the end of the poppy season, the migrant workers that had been busy harvesting opium were free to do the bidding of the Taliban and they made sure that the Patricias had a very busy summer.

In April, Pte "Wild Bill" MacLean was wounded in a Taliban complex ambush that commenced with the detonation of an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) that overturned his team's RG-31. In June, Mc

Mark Campbell was critically wounded when another IED detonated during an operation in Siah Choy, west of Kandahar on the Arghandab River bank. Maj Cambell lost both legs in the attack but his positive attitude and perseverance since then has been an inspiration to the soldiers of the Third Battalion. In August, MCpl Erin Doyle was killed-in-action when multiple rocket propelled grenades (RPG) rounds struck the tower from which he was engaging the enemy during an attack on Combat Outpost HAJI.

Although the OMLT took its licks, the unit gave out much worse than it got. Cpl Donavan Ball was awarded the Star of Military Valour and Cpls Steven Bancarz and Carey Baker were awarded the Medal of Military Valour for their leadership and bravery under fire when their Afghan Company was ambushed by insurgents in June. Despite the overwhelming heat which reached 60 degrees Celsius that summer, the pervasive dust and the threat of IEDs and enemy ambushes, the soldiers of the OMLT were single-minded in their achievement of the mission. Although their boots weren't always bloused and their faces weren't always shaven, their professionalism in "getting the job done" regardless of the obstacles exhibited the same fighting spirit that has exemplified the Patricia attitude since 1914.

MCpl Erin Doyle

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MOUNTAIN MAN

Between 27 February and 3 March 2008, 3 PPCLI organized the annual MOUNTAIN MAN race whic was hosted by 1 CMBG. In the past, MOUNTAIN MAN competitions consisted of a 31.6 km march, 3.2 km sandbag carry, a 10 km canoe paddle finishing with a 5.6 km run, all while wearing a rucksac weighing no less than 15 kg. This year, BGen Vance, Commander of 1 CMBG said that he "wanted put the mountain back into MOUNTAIN MAN, and make it a real 'gut-check'". The competitors travelle to Grande Cache, AB to compete in a 28.8 km race through elevations of 1,333 metres.

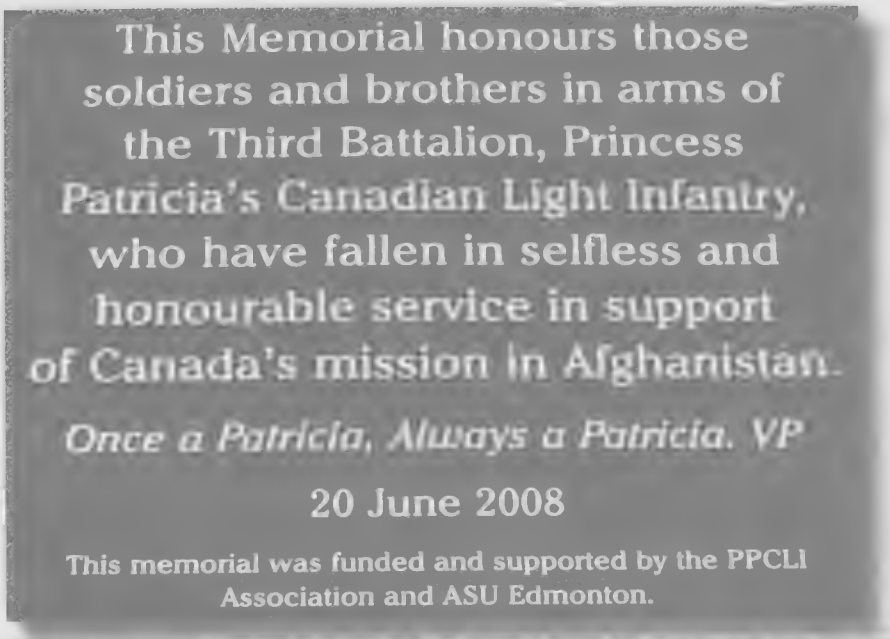
SPARTAN STRIKE

Between 7 and 25 April 2008, 3 PPCLI conducted Exercise SPARTAN STRIKE in the relatively dive s climate of British Columbia. This was a Battalion-level patrolling exercise which took place in Chiliwa BC. In concert with the final stages of the Reconnaissance course, the exercise enabled soldiers t complete much of the Primary Combat Function (PCF) cycle training, as well as taking part in sect and platoon patrolling which culminated in company and battalion-sized raids. Training was aided wi the use of MILES gear to help simulate realism.

Exercise SPARTAN STRIKE

MEMORIAL CEREMONY

On 20 June 2008, 3 PPCLI held a consecration ceremony dedicated to the Battalion's fallen in Afghanistan. Since 2002, thirteen 3 PPCLI Soldiers have been killed-in-action and, to honour their sacrifice, a memorial stone and plaque now stands in front of the Battalion lines. Following the ceremony, 3 PPCLI also unveiled the Wall of Honour. On it are photographs of each of the fallen, serving as a reminder of their dedication and sacrifice. This year we added two names as many families and friends attended the moving ceremony, with personal speeches presented on behalf of Major Hess Von Kruedner and MCpl Erin Doyle.



Left to Right -
LGen Kent Foster, (Ret'd), Colonel Commandant of the Infantry,
Canadian Forces CWO John Marr, (Ret'd),
MWO Tom Holland, (Ret'd), Vancouver Branch President PPCLI Association,
CWO Bert Scott, (Ret'd), President PPCLI Association,
MGen Bob Stewart, (Ret'd), Former Colonel of the Regiment,
MGen Herb Pitts, (Ret'd), Former Colonel of the Regiment

SPARTAN WARRIOR

Exercise SPARTAN WARRIOR M203 grenade training

Third Battalion participated in Exercise SPARTAN WARRIOR, from 22 September to 10 October 2008 in Shilo, MB. While completing Individual Battle Task Standards (IBTS) training, the focus of this exercise was on live fire training. Soldiers began by honing their skill in individual and teams live-fire lanes. Maintaining operationally critical skills, soldiers completed qualifications on a C6 familiarization shoot, an M203 and 84mm shoot and grenade ranges. This was followed by section live fire ranges, led mainly by junior NCOs, then moving into more complex ranges with other arms support. Following the successful completion of section-level live fire ranges, platoons went through a basic platoon-level live fire range, followed by one with additional assets. The training was demanding as well as realistic and soldiers confirmed their skills in a live fire environment.

RIC-A-DAM-DOO

The Third Battalion took the lead this year hosting Exercise RIC-A-DAM-DOO in Edmonton for the officers of the Regiment. This event began on 6 November 2008 with a trip to the Regimental Museum in Calgary for the rededication of the Hall of Honour. The Colonel-in-Chief, Madame Adrienne Clarkson and the Colonel of the Regiment were present to deliver a tribute to honour eighteen soldiers who were killed in 2008. The moving tribute and dedication was appreciated by all who attended and the ceremony ended with a guided tour of the Regimental Museum.

The following two days were spent in Edmonton conducting professional development training. Subalterns from the three Battalions gave presentations on Regimental history, augmented by presentations from veterans and Association members. The entire event was an opportunity for the old and new Patricias to meet and share stories and experiences, which mainly took place during the Mess dinner. It also served as an opportunity to welcome new officers to the Regiment, and help them better understand the Regiment's history and traditions.

MENTON DAYS

In December, soldiers from Bravo Company, led by Maj Alex Watson participated in Menton Days at Fort Lewis Washington with the Canadian Special Operations Regiment. Hosted by the 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne). The event commemorated the disbandment of the First Special Service Force, a joint US-Canadian unit whose exploits during WW II earned them the title "The Devil's Brigade". The week-long event had mixed teams from the three units compete in a number of events, including: a stress shoot, a skill-at-arms competition, fast roping and a number of airborne jumps. The event ended successfully with all attending of 3 PPCLI soldiers receiving their American jump wings.

Menton Days

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SOLDIERS' CHRISTMAS DINNER

On 8 December 2008, the Battalion held their annual Soldiers' Christma dinner at CFB Edmonton. The event was a welcome break fro training prior to the Christmas leave period, and a chance for the NCO and Officers to thank the soldiers for their hard work by serving the Christmas dinner. This year's event was particularly special as Cp McLean was able to make the trip from Ontario to spend time with hi fellow 3 PPCLI soldiers. A number of personnel were also promoted including Cpl MacLean.

Capt Lerch promoting
Cpl MacLean

FRENCH GREY BATTALION

In 2008, the Infantry School saw a growing number of students conduct training at all levels. The CF-wide push to replenish its ranks has placed a significant weight on the staff at CFB Gagetown. Members of all three battalions of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry work at the school and are currently involved in the task of growing and modernizing the training system at an alarming rate.

Since Task Force 1-06 returned from Afghanistan in August 2006, the Army's intent has been to employ as many combat veterans in training centers as possible. This theme has been apparent at the Infantry School, where the vast majority of instructors have experienced war first-hand. This increase in experience has had a dramatic effect on training, and has resulted in the development of more technologically advanced, applicable training opportunities for candidates. The philosophy held by the leadership at the school is to adapt current training in order to maintain the key Canadian doctrine required to wage war, but also modify course content to make the training relevant to the current theatre of operations.

In an ongoing effort to stay ahead of the technology curve, the Infantry School is working closely with the Army Learning Support Center (ALSC) to modernize instructional methods for all courses. The new methods emphasize Distance Learning packages, which enable candidates to conduct online training from their home units. Once candidates arrive in Gagetown for formal training, they are exposed to a variety of new computer animations and training simulations that improve the learning curve and maximize training resources.

Candidates on the DP 1.2 Mechanized Platoon Commander's Course conduct a hasty attack with LAV IIIs

The Infantry School is actively involved in the procurement of new weapons and the subsequent development of training programs for Battle Groups deploying to Afghanistan. The most notable project currently underway is the Company Area Suppression Weapon (CASW), which is an automatic grenade launcher, a weapon that is scheduled for employment in theatre as early as 2010.

Involved in these initiatives are countless officers, NCMs, and soldiers from the PPCLI. The Regiment is strongly represented in all training cells at the school, including leadership courses such as Developmental Period (DP) 1.1 and DP 3B, as well as advanced skills courses such as Urban Operations Instructor and Advanced Reconnaissance Patrolman.

In addition to the responsibilities of the school, several members of the French Grey Battalion were able to assist the Atlantic Branch of the PPCLI Association. This past October, the Association's Annual General Meeting (AGM) took place in Truro, Nova Scotia. The guest speaker was Lieutenant- Colonel Wilson, who represents the PPCLI as the CO of the French Grey Battalion. Also representing the Regular Force was Captain Lee Mossop, currently serving as the Operations Officer at the Infantry School. The meeting served to provide an overview of the Regiment's current status for serving and retired members of the PPCLI.

The Patricias within the school have seen a number of their own promoted and careers advanced, while others have ended their time with the regiment through retirement. Promotions include Major Terry Wilson's promotion to Lieutenant-Colonel. He who was replaced as Chief Instructor by Major Stephen

FRENCH GREY BATTALION

Members of the Urban Operations Instructor course conduct a tactical entry drill with live ammunition

Joudrey. The following were among the promotions on the NCM side: Master Warrant Officer Tim Penney was promoted to Chief Warrant Officer, Sergeant John May was promoted to Warrant Officer and Master Corporal Peter MacLean was promoted to Sergeant. Retirements include Warrant Officer Wayne Snow and Warrant Officer Ernie Penney, both of whom retired in June. Although they no longer wear the uniform, they continue to serve as civilian contractors working with the LAV III.

Many of the Patricias at the Infantry School will return to the field force within the next year and return to Afghanistan for their second or third tour. In the meantime, all continue to strive for excellence and influence the training system on behalf of the Regiment.

LFWATC

The year of 2008 was yet another busy one for the Land Force Western Area Training Centre in Wainwright as the conduct of Soldier Qualification, Basic Infantry Qualification and Combat Service Support-related courses continued at their steady pace and the requirements for qualified junior leaders (with the Primary Leader Qualification) expanded with the increase in the size of the infantry sections being planned for deployment into Afghanistan. The personnel challenges posed by the ongoing deployment to Afghanistan were felt as the outflow of soldiers (through postings, retirement, and operational tasks) created shortages in the permanent staff that could not be addressed until the conclusion of the Task Force 1-08 deployment, when their designated replacements could be posted in. While this challenge was successfully addressed through significant "double-hatting" and extra hours, some of the adventure training activities that had marked previous years were, of necessity, curtailed. However, the extra-curricular sports and activities engaged in by many of the PPCLI staff continued – perhaps none more noteworthy than the display of boxing skills by Sergeant "Crazy" Chris Durette as he triumphed in the 156-175 lbs division at the "So You Wanna Fight" event in Olds, Alberta in May.

Sgt "Crazy" Chris Durette (right) enroute to a unanimous decision at the "So You Wanna Fight" event. (Photo: Carla Victor, Courtesy of The Olds Albertan)

At the Headquarters, the Deputy Commanding Officer / Chief Instructor (CI), Maj Dave McKillop, was able to concentrate on his primary duties as LCol S.W. Morrison (Royal Canadian Artillery) was posted in as the Commanding Officer. In addition, RSM "Tiny" McNaughton was posted out (to Charlettetown), to be replaced by RSM Art Chase, although not before getting a chance to attend the Sweat Lodge associated with our Bold Eagle program. In addition to the DCO / CI, continuity was provided by our QMSI, MWO Kevin Kehoe.

LCol Morrison and RSM McNaughton priming for their visit to the Bold Eagle Sweat Lodge

For A Company, there was an almost complete turn-over of personnel within the Company Headquarters as CSM Billy Bolen was posted out to the Canadian Special Operations Regiment in Petawawa, as an instructor, and was replaced by CSM

LFWATC

Kevin Littlejohn. Also departing were the Officer Commanding (OC), Maj Bob Saunders (to the Joint task Force HQ North, Yukon Detachment in Whitehorse) and the 2IC, Capt Nicholas Wheeler (RCD), to course training in Fort Knox prior to his posting in 2009. Also departing, after 20 years' service, was Sgt Joe Schechtel, who retired to the Edmonton area. Given that both the new OC and 2IC were deployed with the TF 1-08 OMLT, Capt Dennis Samson was forced to fill as A Company Commander for most of the last half of the year, when not involved in his normal duties at Standards. Of the new arrivals, Capt Steph Pellerin was particularly eager to get to Wainwright in order to further hone his self-proclaimed "redneck" way of life, while basking in the urban lifestyle that Wainwright affords – at least compared to his previous duties in Zangabad and Mushan, Afghanistan. While only one of the Soldier Qualification (basic fieldcraft) courses was conducted, three PLQ Infantry and four PLQ Land courses were completed, as well as four additional Reserve courses – including the Bold Eagle course. In total, 206 junior leaders were trained, as well as 57 Bold Eagle candidates.

MCpl Dawatsare instructing Native Canadian candidates on the Bold Eagle program

It was another busy year for B Company, with a total of nine Regular Force Infantry and two Reserve DP 1 Basic Infantry Qualification courses being conducted at Wainwright in 2008, as well as a Basic Sniper course conducted at Dundurn. Adding to the pace were the modifications that occurred with the DP 1 course package, with the SQ courses being run separately and the inclusion of an Urban Operations exercise and Quick Aim Shooting (Gunfighter) training package and increased weapons qualifications requirements – in order to provide more of the skills that new soldiers, deploying with their battalions to Afghanistan, will require. There was more continuity within the Company HQ, with both the OC, Maj Kevin Conrad, and CSM Todd D'Andrade remaining as fixtures within the Company, while the 2IC, Capt J.P. Champagne, was posted back to the 'Van Doos', to be replaced by Capt Stephen Wyatt. As well, several other skilled Senior NCOs were posted back to battalion duties.

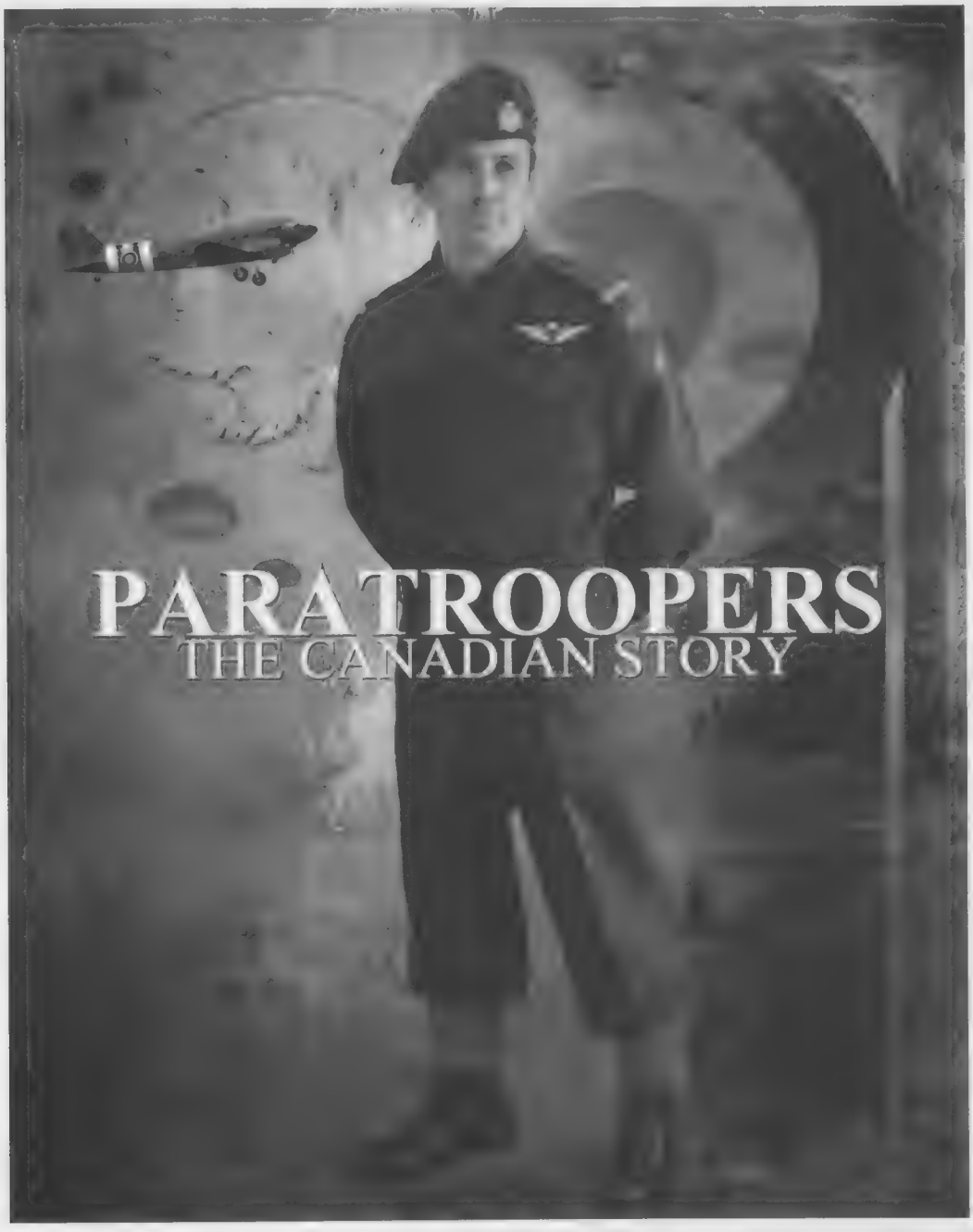
DP 1 candidates participating in Gunfighter Training

Training Support Company also witnessed a significant turn-over of personnel, while continuing to provide the support necessary to allow the training companies to function. The OC, Maj John Cochrane (LdSH(RC)) was posted out, as was his 2IC, Capt Jade Watson (who returned to the First Battalion).

Their places were taken by Capt Ron Migadel (OC) and Capt Geoff Robinson (2IC, at least until he was re-assigned as the Adjutant). Several NCOs returned to battalion duties, including WO James Dunn, who escaped from his supervisory role over Personnel Awaiting Training/Release Platoon.

Lastly, while not part of the Training Centre, the Patricias at WATC maintain ties with the small group of Patricias who are employed at CMTC – including LCol Ed Haverstock (the senior PPCLI representative in Wainwright), Maj Mike Lane, and MWO Dan Denkowycz, amongst others.

Overall, 2008 was a very successful year for LFWATC and 2009 promises to be equally challenging and successful, with continued demand for DP 1 Infantry courses, the increased requirement for PLQ graduates and the 10th Anniversary of the Bold Eagle program being celebrated this summer.



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PATRICIAS IN PETAWAWA

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CSOR was created to broaden Canadian Special Operations Forces Command's (CANSOFCOM) operational capability and effectiveness and bring particular special operations effects to special operations task forces. The unit is a high readiness, robust and adaptable special operations force (SOF) capable of conducting and supporting a broad range of missions wherever the need exists. Despite its young age, CSOR is internationally recognized for being innovative and on the cutting-edge of Special Operations Forces.

CSOR's core capabilities fall into two streams; the first focuses on what Commanding Officer LCol Greg Smith refers to as 'high quality SOF' skills: developing excellence in fighting and manoeuvring in urban, arctic, jungle, mountain, desert and littoral environments. This first stream drives a large portion of the individual and collective training and includes a focus on mastering small arms and support weapons, developing superior complex terrain skills, physical fitness/ICQB skills and developing multi-platform capability. The second stream focuses on support to CANSOFCOM.

Compared to Edmonton (or even Brandon) Petawawa may seem isolated, but the Ottawa Valley is brimming with outdoor recreation opportunities, and Ottawa is conveniently close enough for weekend excursions. Patricias at CSOR have found the working environment as rewarding as it is challenging, and there has been no lack of deployment opportunities.

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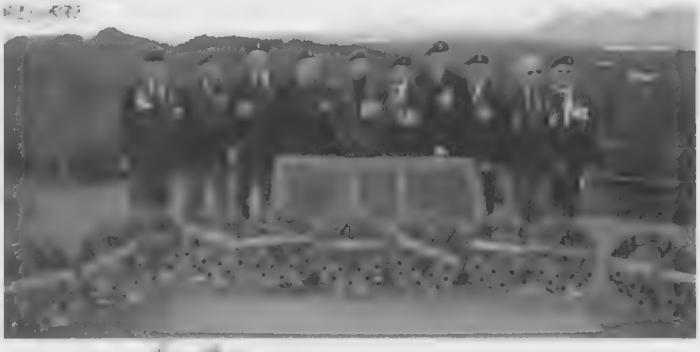
KOREA MEMORIAL CEREMONY IN TOFINO

During 18-19 April 2008 the Colonel of the Regiment attended a Veteran Affairs Canada Remember series of commemorative events in Tofino, BC. The events were designed to commemorate the 55th anniversary of the Korean Armistice, the 57th Anniversary of the Battle at Kapyong, and the 10th Anniversary of the dedication of the Kapyong Memorial at Radar Hill in Tofino. Despite unseasonably bad weather which meant half the veterans, the band, pipers, et al were not able to get to Tofino because of snow in the mountain passes on Vancouver Island, the services went ahead.

Left to Right: Parade RSM and MGen H.C. Pitts, MC, CD, (Ret'd)

Above: LCol J. Bishop, CD, (Ret'd) Master of Ceremonies. John, a Cpl at Kapyong, is now the senior surviving Kapyong Veteran

Above: Maj B. Munro, CD, (Ret'd), reading the US Presidental Citation awarded to 2 PPCLI for its gallantry at Kapyong



Above & Left: our Veterans and others on Radar Hill, Tofino, B.C. , 19 April 2008

MY MILITARY CAREER BEFORE AND DURING THE BATTLE OF KAPYONG
A PERSONAL MEMOIR by Michael Czuboka

PART I: JOINING THE SPECIAL FORCE FOR KOREA

I was born in Brandon, Manitoba to Ukrainian immigrant parents in 1931. My father, a Canadian National (CN) section labourer, like thousands of other Ukrainians, was unjustly interned by Canadian authorities during WW I simply because he was classified as a citizen of the Austrian-Hungarian Empire, an enemy of Britain and Canada during the First World War. The Ukrainians, ironically, had come to Canada to gain freedom from an oppressive and foreign regime. I believe that my father wanted his three sons to be good Canadians, but that he was probably never able to overcome his belief that he was an unwanted foreigner in Canada. If he had lived long enough, he would certainly have been proud of the fact that all three of his sons, Walter, Bill and Mike, would eventually become commissioned officers in the Canadian Forces. It is certainly true that I, as a young man, needed to prove that I was a good Canadian and that this was one of the reasons I joined the Canadian Army in 1950.

In the summer of 1950 I was an 18 year old construction labourer living in Rivers, Manitoba, a CN Railway town, and working on renovation projects at the nearby Canadian Joint Air Training Centre (CJATC). I graduated with a Grade 12 "senior matriculation" standing, but jobs were scarce and I considered myself fortunate to have employment of any kind. I wanted to further my studies with a university degree in either Arts or Science, but neither my parents nor I had any money for that purpose.

I grew up in Rivers and I was impressed by the young soldiers, sailors and airmen who served at CJATC, and especially those who wore wings. While attending high school in Rivers I became an air cadet, gained military experience by attending summer camps at air force bases, and was promoted to sergeant, the highest cadet rank in #320 Rivers Squadron. My older brother Walter, as a Flying Officer with the Royal Canadian Air Force, had completed 52 air missions over the Atlantic Ocean and Europe during WWII and I admired him greatly. I was too young to serve in the war and I felt that I had been left out of a great and exciting historical event. A military career greatly appealed to me and the Korean War would eventually give me a chance for the kind of an adventure that I had missed during WW II because of my youth.

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The Korean War broke out in June, 1950, and later in that summer the Canadian Government announced that it would recruit a "Special Force" for the purpose of serving in the war. What was especially appealing to many recruits about this force was its limited 18 month period of service. In those days, those who enlisted in the Canadian Forces were usually required to enlist for at least three years. Moreover, it was practically impossible to get out earlier than three years. It was almost like being in the French Foreign Legion. You signed your life and freedom away. The Canadian Army, in those days, was lacking in sensitivity and human relations skills. Soldiers did not have any "rights" as we know them today. You were required to obey all orders without questions of any kind. It was a joke, but also a reality, when lieutenants, or sergeants, or even corporals said: "I need three volunteers to go on a dangerous patrol and I have decided that the volunteers will be you, you and you".

In early August, 1950, shortly after the Special Force enlistments began at recruiting depots across Canada, I decided to travel from Rivers to Fort Osborne in Winnipeg, a distance of about 125 miles, in order to join up. But how would I get there? My funds were limited. Fortunately, I knew a CN Railway fireman and he smuggled me into a caboose at the end of a freight train going to Winnipeg. I arrived full of enthusiasm but was initially rejected because of my age.

"How old are you?" the recruiting officer asked sceptically. "You look like you are about 15!"

"I know that I look younger, but I am 18 years old" I truthfully replied.

"That's too young to be in the Special Force" he said. "You have to be at least 19. Go home and come again when you are 19".

I did go back to Rivers but I returned to Fort Osborne about two weeks later and hesitatingly, and with considerable trepidation, told another recruiting officer that I was 19 years old. He did not look at me too closely and did not seem to care. I was a warm body and the Army was not too particular. I was never asked for a birth certificate or documentation of any kind, either then or ever. I aged by one year instantaneously and was immediately enrolled, at my request, into the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. I wanted adventure, and the infantry was the place to get it.

On August 22, 1950, at about the time I was scheduled to travel by train to the PPCLI in Calgary, Canada's railway workers went on strike. The problem was solved by the Royal Canadian Air Force. I, along with other recruits from Winnipeg's Osborne Barracks, were loaded onto C-47 Dakota aircraft and flown to Calgary. We arrived, a lot of us sick and vomiting because of a bumpy ride on a hot August day, and were immediately housed at Currie Barracks. Unfortunately, the Army was not ready to receive us and we languished for many days in our civilian clothing. Finally, in about mid-September, we were equipped with WW II vintage uniforms, webbing, kit bags, boots, mess tins, and .303 Lee Enfield rifles. Shortly afterwards we were shipped to Wainwright, Alberta, to undergo basic training. Our training was under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel "Big Jim" Stone, the CO of 2 PPCLI and Brigadier John Rockingham, commander of the 25th Infantry Brigade. Both officers had had served with distinction in WW II. In fact, most of our senior non-commissioned and commissioned officers were veterans of the war that had ended only five years earlier.

PART II: TRAINING FOR THE KOREAN WAR AND SAILING TO KOREA

Camp Wainwright was located on the sandy site of the former 25 square mile Buffalo National Park in central Alberta. It served as an artillery, armoured and infantry training area during WWII, and briefly as a German prisoner-of-war camp at the end of the war. Its facilities were expanded considerably at the beginning of the Korean War, but in November, 1950, it was decided that the entire 25th Canadian Brigade would be moved to Fort Lewis, Washington because of the better facilities at that location. It was apparently cheaper to rent from the United States than to spend a lot of money on Wainwright. We did not complain. The idea of living and training near Seattle, a large American city, was very appealing to the men of all ranks. Seattle, we reasoned, probably contained a lot of beautiful women who were anxious to consort with handsome and heroic Canadian soldiers.

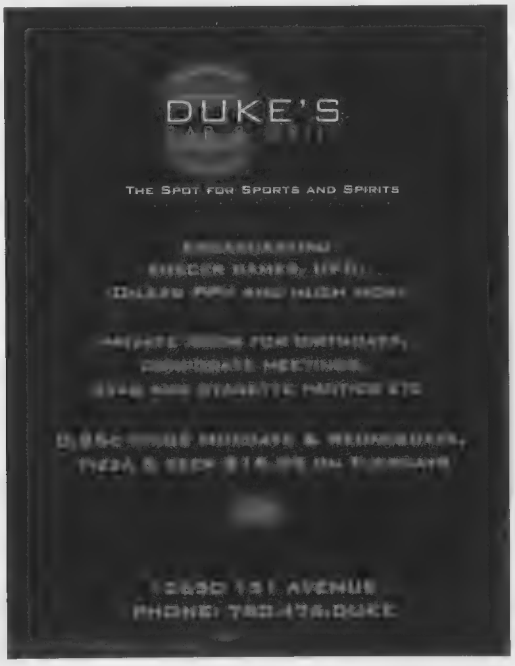
In late November, 1950 several trains began transporting soldiers from my Regiment, the PPCLI and

other units, from Wainwright to Fort Lewis. We were loaded onto old wooden colonial railway coaches. These ancient and fragile vehicles had originally been used to haul immigrants, like my parents, to the Canadian Prairies. Tragedy stuck on November 21, 1950 when two trains, including a troop train, collided at Canoe River in British Columbia, killing 21 people, including 17 soldiers from the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery. Investigators later decided that these deaths were caused primarily by the weaknesses of the wooden coaches in which we were travelling. It was alleged, by some, that the Government and military authorities were negligent because of their decision to transport soldiers in these ancient and dangerous conveyances. The investigators noted that none of the civilians who were riding in modern and strong steel coaches died in this collision and concluded that the soldiers had died as a result of government cost-cutting.

Shortly after our arrival at Fort Lewis the Canadian Government decided that only the 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry would be sent to Korea on an immediate basis. The communist forces of North Korea had been pushed back to the Yalu River on the border with China and General Douglas MacArthur, the United Nations commander, had declared that the war would be over by Christmas. It appeared that 2 PPCLI was being sent as a token occupation force and that the rest of the brigade would probably not follow.

When I arrived at Fort Lewis on November 21, 1950, I was a rifleman in the PPCLI. One day a number of us were called to a special parade and we were told that we were being re-assigned. Most were sent to rifle companies, but when my name was called out I was told that I was now a member of 2 PPCLI's 81 mm. mortar platoon. "Mortar Platoon?" I asked myself. "What is a mortar platoon and what will I be doing?" I vaguely remembered seeing mortars in WW II movie newsreels, but I knew next to nothing about them. I would not see any 81 mm. mortars until after we arrived in Korea. I wondered why and how I was assigned to the Mortar Platoon, and I concluded that it was simply an arbitrary decision and not for any particular reason. That's how the Army worked in those days.

On November 25th, after only four days at Fort Lewis, we were shipped to Port Angeles and loaded onto the Private J.P. Martinez, a rusting "Liberty Ship" from WW II. These vessels had been welded together for temporary use and did not appear to be very seaworthy. The facilities were crude and the food was almost inedible. I still shudder over the memory of seeing large black cooks sweating into the soup and food that they prepared in the galleys for our consumption. We had coloured meal cards and ate at badly coordinated times to announcements on loudspeakers such as: "Yellow cards will chow now; will chow now." The weather was some of the worst in memory and even the ship's crew were seasick. I spent the first week in my bunk flat on my back and next to my rifle. The bunks were six deep



2 PPCLI sails to Korea on Pvt Joe P. Martinez

and jammed together in the hold. The odour of unwashed bodies and feet was almost unbearable. Moreover, we learned, about half way across the stormy and badly-named Pacific, that the Chinese had entered Korea in large numbers and that the United Nations forces were in retreat. We were going to a full scale war and not occupation duties as previously announced. After about 23 days, including brief stopovers in Hawaii and Japan, we arrived at Pusan in South Korea. We disembarked to the sounds of a welcoming U.S. military band. We were in the "land of the morning calm", the nickname sometimes given to Korea. It was December 18th, and we had arrived just in time to prepare for Christmas.

PART III: KOREA FROM DECEMBER, 1950 T0 APRIL, 1951

Pusan was a collection of huts and ramshackle buildings that housed tens of thousands of refugees. A pungent odour of charcoal, fish and human excrement filled our nostrils. Fortunately, we did not stay long. Big Jim Stone advised General Walker, his American superior, that we were not ready to fight and needed about six weeks of training. General Walker reluctantly agreed, but not until after Stone produced formal instructions that he had received from Ottawa.

We were moved to an orchard area near Miryang, about 50 kms. north of Pusan, and our training there lasted until mid-February. We also spent some time in the neighbouring hills hunting guerrillas. It was at Miryang that I first learned how to use an 81 mm. mortar. I was assigned to a "number two" position. My responsibility was to feed "bombs" or "shells" into my mortar. Feeding bombs into the barrel of a mortar required good coordination because a "double feed" into a barrel would cause an explosion and wipe out the whole mortar crew, as happened on more than one occasion. Our platoon had six half-tracks with a three man mortar crew each. Each half-track had one .50 calibre and one .30 calibre machine gun mounted. We carried several hundreds bombs, most of which were of the high explosive variety, and a few that were made of phosphorus and used for creating smoke. Range was determined by an elevation-finding sight on the side of the mortar. Small packages of explosives called "charges" were added or removed at the end of each bomb for the purpose of increasing or decreasing distances of delivery. In later years I learned that mortars are considered by military experts to be extremely effective infantry weapons.

What I remember most about Miryang is the clean, relatively odourless air, the cosy sleeping bags, folding cots and tents where we slept, and the hot food. It was in an orchard area and human excrement was not spread on the fields and rice paddies as in most parts of Korea. After leaving Miryang, and for the rest of my tour in Korea, I slept in a slit trench or simply on the ground and ate canned American "C" rations most of the time. More than once, during the cold Korean winter, I woke up only to find myself covered in snow.

The first year in Korea was one of rapid movement. We moved frequently from February to April. It was not until the fall of 1951 that both sides began to prepare relatively permanent defensive trenches and

bunkers that were reminiscent of those that were used in WW I. During most of the period between mid-February and mid-April, the Chinese gradually retreated northwards. Seoul was retaken in mid-March and the UN forces, including our battalion, began to push across the 38th parallel and into North Korea. During these first few weeks of combat 2 PPCLI had 14 killed and 42 wounded. Casualties were light compared to those suffered by Canadians in WW I and WW II, but we were certainly in a real war and not a police action. My own problems were relatively minor.

On one occasion when I was feeding bombs into our mortar on a "rapid fire basis", a "delayed action" took place. One of the bombs did not emerge from the barrel as was anticipated. I instinctively lifted my head next to the barrel, in keeping with normal procedure, and I was greeted with a loud explosion as the faulty projectile exited. Blood immediately came out of both ears. As a result, I suffered a permanent hearing disability.

In early March, when it was still very cold, I was stricken by a serious case of dysentery. I lost total control of my bowel movements. I became very sick and was loaded onto an Indian Jeep Ambulance and was transported, along with two seriously wounded Chinese soldiers, to an American MASH hospital. I still remember the groans and occasional screams of my Chinese companions during our bumpy ride. I remained at the MASH hospital for about one week. I was visited only once in the hospital by an obviously inebriated Canadian sergeant who thought that I had been wounded in action. When the sergeant found out that I had dysentery and not a wound, he quickly terminated his visit. As previously mentioned, the Army in the 1950's was not known for its sensitivity.

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I was also infected with malaria in Korea but it did not surface until the summer of 1952 when I was taking a course at Camp Borden in Ontario. Flash forward about a year. It took the doctors at Camp Borden Hospital several days to diagnose my illness. My temperature rose rapidly to about 106 degrees and I became delirious. Two young and attractive female lieutenant nurses rubbed my mostly naked body with alcohol to bring my soaring temperature down. I was a shy corporal at the time, but I was having hallucinations and I mischievously asked: "You are really enjoying this, aren't you? Fortunately, they chose to ignore my remark. Corporals, in those days, were expected to always speak to lieutenants in respectful terms.

Flash back to Korea. In the middle of February, 1951, our battalion was loaded onto trucks and half-tracks at Miryang in preparation for our move to the front, at that time about 200 kms to the north. I remember the cloudy skies, snow-covered valleys and mountains, icy and winding roads and the bitter sub-zero cold. It took us about two days to get from Miryang to the front. Very cold Arctic winds from nearby Siberia often descend down the Korean peninsula, and they certainly came frequently in the winter of 1950-51.

As we arrived on our half-tracks at the Korean village of Kudun, near the front line, we were suddenly confronted with a scene of horror. I had never seen a dead body until that day, but now something like 68 black and mostly naked American bodies were scattered all around us. They had been bayoneted and shot by the Chinese and their weapons and clothing had been removed. They were frozen solid and looked like black marble statues. Some were magnificent physical specimens and I remember feeling overwhelmed with pity over their horrible fate. We were later told that this had been a black infantry company. Some had their ring fingers cut off, and their winter clothing, sleeping bags, boots and weapons had been removed. The Chinese coveted American clothing and weapons and took them whenever they could. Apparently these black American soldiers, led by white officers, had posted a single sentry on the previous evening and had not dug slit trenches. Although only about 68 bodies were counted on that day, it was subsequently reported that more than 200 had been killed. In later years I read a report by the Chinese Communist Forces "CCF" 116th Division which claimed that two companies of the U.S. 23rd Infantry Regiment had been annihilated at dawn on February 14, 1951. American infantry companies do hold about 100 soldiers, so if two companies were wiped out, 200 dead seems like a reasonable estimate. The Chinese had a habit of removing dead bodies, and especially their own.

I was shocked by this bloody spectacle and ate very little for the next several days. I knew that we were in a war, but I was not prepared for such a sudden and violent introduction. I noticed that my three companions on our half-track were also taking it badly. All had turned very pale and silent. Our commanding officer, Lieutenant-Colonel Jim Stone, on the other hand, considered this to an important lesson for all of us. We would, in future, never be allowed to use sleeping bags in the front line. And needless to say, it became apparent that a strong contingent of sentries was always needed, and especially at dawn, the time when the Chinese preferred to attack.

PART IV: THE BATTLE OF KAPYONG

The Chinese Spring Offensive of April, 1951, turned out to be the greatest battle of the Korean War. The introduction to Hub Gray's excellent book Beyond the Danger Close states that a part of this offensive began immediately north of Kapyong when "10,000 men of the South Korean 6th Division panicked and fled running south, leaving a 16 km gap in the front line. Two Chinese divisions, with 20,000 men blitzed southward 40 km in 36 hours to Kapyong, where the badly outnumbered 1,700 men of 2 PPCLI and 3 RAR were ordered to hold the line." According to Gray, 2 PPCLI was considerably under strength at this time, with only about 700 soldiers in the front line rather than a full battalion component of 940.

In the meantime, a few miles further west, the British Gloucester Battalion heroically held its ground and was virtually wiped out. Most of the Gloucesters were either killed or captured and only about 56 out of about 900 survived the battle. Our fate could easily have been the same. Of course, we we did know any of these details at that time. We were simply told that the Chinese were attacking in large numbers and that we would have to stop them.

In late April we were in a reserve position in the Kapyong area. Our activities included cleaning weapons, undergoing kit inspections and replenishing our supplies of ammunition and other supplies. We appreciated getting periods of uninterrupted and peaceful sleep. Japanese Asahi beer was available and eagerly consumed. For the first time in several weeks we enjoyed hot meals. American "C" rations, which we used in front line positions, consisted of predictable and boring cans of meat, vegetables and fruit. Late April also brought spring to Korea. The weather was warm and pleasant, and I have often wondered if it was at this time that a malaria-infected mosquito bit me.

Unfortunately, our respite was quickly and rudely interrupted. Our commanding officer, Big Jim Stone, was suddenly ordered to take 2 PPCLI to positions on Hill 677 north of the Village of Kapyong. At the same time, the 3rd Battalion of the Royal Australian Regiment was instructed to occupy Hill 504, a lower feature located immediately across from Hill 677. The valley below was a critical part of main route to the South Korean capital of Seoul, and the Chinese understood that they needed to control Hills 677 and 504 to allow a safe passage southward.

Lieutenant-Colonel Stone demonstrated his competence and experience as a veteran of WW II by taking his company commanders on a reconnaissance of Hill 677. Captain Lloyd Hill, our 81 mm. Mortar Platoon commander, also accompanied this group. We were later told that Stone and his officers studied the approaches that the Chinese would likely use during their attack. Companies and platoons were to be deployed, as much as possible, in mutually supporting positions. The advantage of Hill 677 was that it contained many very steep approaches, which meant that the attackers would often have to monkey run upwards to get at us. In those days the mountains of Korea had very few trees and visibility was unrestricted. During visits to Kapyong in 2003 and 2008, I was amazed at how Hill 677 and other Korean mountains were now covered with thick forests. In April, 1951 the mountains were mostly bare and the Chinese were especially vulnerable to grenades that were rolled down towards them on the steep and visible slopes. To a large extent, however, the defence of Hill 677 would depend upon artillery and 81 mm mortar fire.

At first it looked as though we would not be able to get our half-tracks and 81 mm. mortars to the top of Hill 677. Lieutenant Lorne Hurst, the Pioneer Platoon commander, said that our half-tracks could not make it up because of the very narrow track. Stone did not agree. According to Hub Gray, Stone growled at Hurst and said: "Hurst, get the half-tracks up that bloody hill!" No one ever questioned Stone's orders and Hurst quickly complied. In retrospect, it can be concluded that the survival of the entire battalion eventually depended, to a large extent, upon the 81 mm. Mortar Platoon. Our supporting New Zealand and American artillery batteries were also very important, but they were not as readily available as our mortars. If the Mortar Platoon had not reached the top of Hill 677, it would probably

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have been ineffective. If fact, if we had been left in the valley below we would have been very vulnerable and likely would have been eliminated by the Chinese very quickly. The Chinese were swarming all over the valley below. As it turned out, our .50 calibre machine guns, deployed in a key position on Hill 677 and commanded by Lieutenant Hub Gray, Second-in-Command of the Mortar Platoon would soon afterwards save the entire Battalion from total destruction.

I vividly recall our ascent with our heavily loaded half-tracks onto Hill 677. It was getting dark and difficult to see anything. The route consisted of a single narrow trail and wound dangerously back and forth on its way to the summit. A slide into one of the deep ravines that bordered the trail would have been disastrous. In some places the trail was blocked with large stone outcrops and these had to be blown away with explosives. Then, when we were almost at the top, one of our half-tracks broke down. Stone threatened to push it into a nearby deep ravine. Fortunately a mechanic, Bob Hoffman, arrived and revived the vehicle, which had apparently stopped because of a dead battery.

Soon after arriving near the top of Hill 677 we unloaded our mortars and set them up in small rice paddies. The ground was very hard and it was impossible to dig down more than a few inches. However, the rice paddies, with their stone walls, did offer some protection. My Number One, Robbie Roberts, and I unloaded all of our mortar bombs in a pile close to our mortar. I believe that we had about 2,000 mortar rounds on board. The whole Platoon probably hauled about 12,000 mortar bombs to the top of Hill 677. I recall that our half-track was so full that we were forced to sit haphazardly on top of our heavy and volatile load. A single enemy shell or rocket could easily have instantly detonated the whole load and blown all of us to Kingdom Come. The other five mortars were set up similarly on rice paddies that were close to ours. I dismounted the .30 calibre machine gun from our half-track, as I usually did, in order to provide additional protection.

Left to Right: Robbie Roberts, 81 mm Mortar and Mike Czuboka
Korea, February 1951

We were assigned "defensive fire" tasks. This allowed us to zero in on the places where the Chinese were likely to attack. These targets were called "Fox 1, Fox 2, Fox 3, and so on. When the Chinese later attacked one or more of our rifle companies, we were given commands such as: "Rapid Fire on Fox 1!"

During that first night hundreds of shadowy figures poured past us in a southerly direction. We were told

that these pathetic and usually weaponless men were remnants of the Republic of Korea 6th Division, but we were not sure. They could have been Chinese and North Koreans, and it is entirely possible that some of them were indeed our enemies. Infiltration was a common Communist tactic. These unwelcome intruders sometimes came to within 50 meters of our position and they made us extremely nervous.

Then we sat and waited. The Chinese decided to attack the Australians on Hill 504 first and from our position high on Hill 677 we had a grandstand view of the battle. Large numbers of Chinese soldiers were seen massing in the valley below. Several American tanks were engaged in the battle and one was knocked out. The Americans performed heroically even though they were engulfed in large numbers of swarming Chinese. We later learned that three of the American tank commanders were killed, and that the Australians had 33 men killed and 58 wounded before they were overrun and forced to withdraw from Hill 504. We were now alone and the Chinese turned their attention in our direction.

The first Chinese attacks were against Baker Company. The Company's three platoons, with about 30 men each, were located approximately 200 meters to the northeast of our position. Because Baker overlooked the valley, it is likely that the Chinese considered it to have the most important strategic position. Able, Charlie and Dog companies were situated in higher isolated positions to the north and west of Baker company and further away from the river valley.

Although we were close to Baker company and could hear all of the violent battle noises, we did not, at that time, know about all of the hand to hand fighting that was taking place. Baker was being subjected to typical Chinese Communist Force tactics, including bugles and human waves. We fired hundreds of mortar rounds in support of the company, but we were not able to directly observe the results of our action. But we were very effective. For instance, Lieutenant Charles Petrie of Baker Company later recalled that on one occasion, as dusk approached, 6 Platoon reported that the enemy was forming up in a re-entrant and preparing for an attack. Our Battalion 81 mm mortars opened fire on this force and "decimated it." Somewhat later 6 Platoon fixed bayonets and forced the Chinese to retreat. Mortars are an extremely effective infantry weapon, but bayonets can also be very persuasive under the right circumstances.

The next two days and nights are a blur in my memory. We frequently fired large volleys of mortar bombs in support of the rifle companies, and in particular Baker and Dog. After trying and failing to dislodge Baker company, the Chinese attacked Dog Company in large numbers. Lieutenant Mike Levy, the commander of Dog Company's 12 Platoon, initiated a mortar and artillery bombardment of

his own position in order to stem the Chinese assaults.

We were told that we were surrounded and to expect an assault on our position at any time. The attack that we were expecting came in the evening of April 24th. We did not immediately notice their presence, but about 500 Chinese began to climb from the valley floor towards our location. They were advancing quietly in our direction and they were not signalling their approach with bugles and loud shouts as was their usual habit.

Lieutenant Hub Gray quickly took command of the eight .50 calibre machine guns that were mounted on our half-tracks. Whether by a stroke of genius, or as a result of sheer luck, these vehicles were located in a very favourable position for the purpose of confronting the advancing enemy. The machine guns were mounted on circular swivels and could be turned rapidly to any direction. Gray handled this critical situation efficiently and calmly. He waited until the leading formation of Chinese was only about 40 meters short of our position before giving the command to fire. The eight .50 calibre machine guns opened up and began cutting a bloody swath in the Communist ranks. I have often wondered by Hub Gray was never given any kind of recognition for his very significant and important action. At the very least, in my opinion, Gray should have been "mentioned in dispatches". Unfortunately, military awards are not always given in a fair and objective manner.

I was totally unaware of the approaching enemy until the moment that Gray opened fire. We were, as usual, doing defensive fire tasks for the rifle companies. As soon as we became aware of the Chinese in our vicinity, we turned our mortars around about 180 degrees, raised them up to an almost perpendicular angle, and began launching bombs on a rapid fire basis. Our mortar bombs travelled only about 100 to 200 metres and began landing in the midst of the Chinese.

It was a devastating slaughter. Jim Wall, a private in the Pioneer Platoon, described the scene as follows in Beyond The Danger Close: "Approaching our position in the dull light on night they looked like a bunch of ants groping their way up the hill. It is frightening watching them slowly ascend, and to realize that they are coming to kill us. When Gray orders the machine guns to fire there are masses of the fallen, dead and wounded. Those left standing grab what they can of their casualties and are running and tumbling down the hill heading for the river." On the following day one of our men went to the killing field, counted more than 100 dead Chinese, and then stopped counting. It is highly likely that many other bodies had been dragged away in keeping with Chinese practice.

The Battle of Kapyong ended very unexpectedly on April 25th and 26th. By that time our Mortar Platoon was almost completely out of mortar bombs. The rifle companies were also down to a few rounds of ammunition. Our food and water was almost gone. We were in a desperate situation, but for some reason the Communists did not continue with their attacks. However, the trails and roads leading to and from Hill 677 still appeared to be occupied by the enemy and Lieutenant-Colonel Stone radioed for help.

On the morning of April 25th several Flying Boxcars of the United States Air Force suddenly roared over our position. Parachutes of various colours opened up and drifted into our position. I eagerly helped to open up the canisters and discovered that we had been supplied with mortar bombs, rifle and machine gun ammunition, C rations and water. A minor miracle had taken place. Robbie Roberts and I piled our fresh supply of bombs next to our mortar. We were ready for action once more but everything remained strangely silent. We were not called upon to fire again. On the 26th of April we were ordered to re-load our half-tracks in preparation for a move from Hill 677.

Our descent down Hill 677 was full of tension. We did not know if the Chinese were still present. But nothing happened and we eventually reached the main road in the river valley. A regimental combat team of the U.S. Army had arrived to take our place. As we drove southward a powerful feeling of relief surged through my mind and body. In spite of very difficult circumstances, we had somehow survived.

But what were the reasons for our survival? I did not give this question much thought in April, 1951, but in later years I concluded that the Chinese had stopped their attacks at Kapyong because of their very heavy losses. In particular, I believe that the machine guns firing in unison under Hub Gray's command

saved all of us at Kapyong. Their thunderous firepower decimated the advancing Communist force of about 500. The Chinese, having already suffered very heavy losses, must have felt that they had suddenly encountered a powerful and well-armed enemy.

According to Hub Gray, 2 PPCLI had 35 wounded and 12 killed at Kapyong, which is more than the official total of 23 wounded and 10 killed. Apparently some casualties on Hill 677 took place before the actual battle began and were therefore not officially counted. In any event, the 35 or 45 casualties suffered by the Patricias during the Chinese April offensive was a lot less than the approximately 850 by the Gloucesters or 91 by the Australians. The United Nations forces, in total, had about 7,000 casualties.

The Patricia delegation in front of the Kapyong Battle Monument
Kapyong, Korea

I believe that our limited losses happened for the following reasons: the Patricias were located on a high mountain with steep slopes that were difficult to climb by the attackers; and the Battalion also had massive artillery and mortar support that decimated the Chinese when they charged. Hub Gray has calculated and observed that in addition to the Battalion's 81 mm mortars, support was provided by 81 artillery pieces of the New Zealanders and Americans. That extensive firepower was brought to bear on very small areas in front of and on top of our companies and it killed thousands of Chinese.

An additional factor was that the Communists had advanced very quickly over a long distance and that they were unable to bring up supplies and heavy weapons quickly enough. Moreover, the air was controlled by the American Air Force which attacked the Communists at every opportunity.

Lieutenant-Colonel John Bishop, in his very interesting book: The King's Bishop, provides an excellent observation in regard to the significance of the Battle of Kapyong. Bishop served as a corporal with 2 PPCLI's Able Company at Kapyong. He was later commissioned and retired after 35 years of service in the Canadian Army. He points out in his book that if the Patricias had not held at Kapyong, "the way would have been open for the Chinese to drive the UN forces back to Seoul, and ultimately all the way to Pusan and into the sea." He notes that when Kapyong, a relatively small battle, is put into context, the stemming of the Chinese spring offensive "entailed a massive loss of lives and material comparable in scale to many of the engagements of WWI." The UN had about 7,000 casualties during April, 1951, but the Chinese total of about 70,000 was much more.

Although the Battle of Kapyong took place more than a half a century ago, I still vividly remember my involvement as a 19 year old private. Occasionally I dream that I am returning to Korea and that the Communists have invaded once again. This dream never changes. I am excited but not afraid because I know that I am going to survive and return home. It is not an unpleasant dream. Of greater significance is the fact that I still feel a strong attachment to my Regiment. It is still, even after many years, something like a family to me. "Once a Patricia, always a Patricia" is certainly true in my case.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

After returning to Canada from Korea Michael Czuboka completed the Canadian Army parachute training course. He left 2 PPCLI in August, 1954 in order to continue his education. While attending university he participated in the Canadian Officer Training Course and graduated as a 2nd lieutenant. His last C.O.T.C. phase was completed in Germany in the summer of 1957. In later years he served as a Reserve captain and the Commanding Officer of an air cadet squadron. He qualified as an airplane pilot during his period of reserve service. He retired from the Reserve in 1974.

He obtained B.A. and B.Ed. degrees from Brandon University and M.A. and M.Ed. degrees from the University of Manitoba. He began a career in education as a teacher and high school principal and eventually became a superintendent of schools in Manitoba. He is a past president of the Manitoba Association of School Superintendents. During his 21 years as a school superintendent he taught many evening and summer courses in administration at the University of Manitoba. He taught at the University of Manitoba on a regular basis from 1990 to 1996. During the 1996-97 academic years he taught as an unpaid, volunteer professor at two universities in Kiev and Ternopil, Ukraine.

He is the published author of four books, including "Ukrainian Canadian Eh?, which became a best-seller. His book "Why It's Hard to Fire Johnny's Teacher" has been used as a legal reference by lawyers and school districts across Canada. His other books are "Juba" and "They Stopped At A Good Place". He has also published numerous articles in various publications over the years.

He is a proud member of the PPCLI Association. He was the founding president of Unit 17 (Manitoba) of the Korea Veterans Association in 1982. He was one of three Korea War veterans chosen to represent PPCLI at the Veterans' Affairs ceremonies held in Korea in July, 2008 to mark the 55th Anniversary of the Korean War Armistice.

OTTAWA AREA PATRICIAS

2008 marked another successful year in the National Capital Region, with Patricias serving diligently to support those on the front lines. It has been said that in recent times our Regiment has been famous for avoiding service in Ottawa. 2008 saw a dramatic change in that dynamic, with many long-time NDHQ veterans being heard to exclaim "Where the hell did all these Patricias come from?" As newly arrived Patricias began adjusting to Ottawa culture shock, caused in large part by the sight of LCol Bob Ford stalking around wearing a suit and tie, they were able to find some respite in the strong Regimental links that exist throughout the National Capital Region (NCR). In spite of diverse employment across the NCR, with Patricias serving in varied capacities from SOFCOM through to the Ceremonial Guard, and of course the Association, the family made time to get together and share special occasions. Most poignantly, Ottawa area Patricias supported our deployed troops and their families at repatriation ceremonies and funerals, taking pride in the service of our fallen and mourning as a Regimental family.

Presentation to LGen Leslie

While there are always a number of new soldiers joining the Regiment after completing their training in Wainwright and Gagetown, in 2008 one new Patricia stood out. LGen Andrew Leslie, Chief of the Land Staff (CLS), was officially named an honorary Patricia. Previously, it had proved very difficult to corner the CLS, to the point where the Regiment made the decision to post a Patricia as LGen Leslie's executive assistant in order to gain some measure of control over his schedule. Those who know LCol Dave Anderson are no doubt aware that he considers himself a brilliant staff officer above and beyond all else. He was ideally suited to the task and often comments on how he enjoys being out of the field and no longer hungry, wet and cold. Maj Gaetan Bedard, a Vandoo, was similarly honoured for his outstanding service to the Patricias as the Lt/Capt Career Manager.

While we enjoyed celebrating new arrivals to the Regiment, unfortunately we also bid farewell to those departing active service. 2008 saw the departure of Col Kevin Moher, who remains in Ottawa as the Army G1 and keeps close ties with the Regiment. Capt Jon Gallo also left us to be an accountant in Alberta though it is questionable if he actually worked during his last year in uniform.

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The Army remains in capable hands with Patricias 'running' the Army including Col Craig King, LCol Ian Creighton, and Majs Kirk Gallinger and Corey Frederickson all in the Army G3 – NDHQ pointy end. The Regiment is well served in DLR with LCol Greg Burton, Capt Barry Bartlett and Sgt James Ives working hard to ensure new and merging technologies are quickly procured and shipped to our units for use in training and combat ops. MWO Powers, after leaving his mark throughout Ottawa as the Land Staff HQ RSM and helping to organize many PPCLI activities, has moved on to a tough posting in Germany. Maj Chris Henderson is employed within Task Force Counter-IED in order to best leverage his recent Afghanistan experience.

Presentation to Maj Bedard

Capt Peter Jerome is likely our longest NDHQ serving veteran and continues to fly the Regimental flag. Maj Bill Fletcher was particularly pleased to trade in his combats for a shirt and tie and ride a desk in Canadian Forces Development while Maj Rich Raymond is busy taking care of MGen Walter Semianiw in Chief of Military Personnel. The Strategic Joint Staff were also blessed with the arrival of both LCol Tod Strickland and Maj Pat Quealey who were quickly put to work generating options for something. Rumour has it that Maj Pat Rechner is also back, albeit temporarily while he organizes his next overseas posting. Maj Ralph Urzinger, envious of Maj Rechner, continues to travel the world as part of the Arms Verification Team on his quest to increase his frequent flyer miles. Maj George Plumpton is hidden away in the world of Chief of Defence Intelligence looking after many of the Army's best interests. Maj David Marshall finally managed to get a break from NDHQ for a six month tour in Bosnia while Maj Brian Hynes is wrapped up in the pomp and circumstance (and politics) of the Ceremonial Guard and doing his best to form a new Guard unit.

Over in CEFCOM Col Wayne Erye took a short break from his French course to become the J3. LCol AJ Lutes, fresh in from England is enjoying himself as J3 Ops and working hard to keep a respectable level of humour during numerous op briefs. Maj John Errington quietly slipped away to join SOFCOM but his absence was only noticed at the hockey rink. Maj Nick Grimshaw also left CEFCOM and is enjoying a year studying his profession and no longer worried about coordinating visits to Afghanistan. Maj George Boyuk is the veteran Patricia at CEFCOM though he spends most of his time away touring mission areas in Africa. Lastly, Capt Loic Darras is busy taking care of COS Ops (an Air Force BGen) and ensuring he understands Army speak and knows how to wear his combats properly.

Canada COM has even managed to sink their talons into the Regiment. While LCol Cliff Reeves escaped to Afghanistan and Capt Mark Gill to 1PPCLI, Capt JP Pendergast still holds the fort at Canada COM with no sign of him leaving soon. JP, don't worry, LCol Reeves is keen to get back there.

As further proof there is life after Ottawa, Col Brennan was named to command the Operational Mentor and Liaison Team for TF 3-09 and MWO Pete Leger was promoted CWO and headed West as RSM 3PPCLI. Don't forget that if one leaves another must be posted in as a replacement. Just ask MWO Gord Cavanaugh who is the new PPLCI NCM Career Manager. Which PPCLI Col will replace Col Brennan?

As always, the fall merit boards proved to be a highlight of the year. It is a widely held belief that Commanding Officers, RSMs and senior officers from across the country travel to Ottawa every Fall to manage careers and influence the future of the Regiment. While it is true that a great deal of hard work and energy is expended to these ends, the true short-term benefit lies in the Regimental social functions that allow us to re-connect, albeit only for a short time.

After all is said and done, we are looking forward to another great year together as the Regimental representatives in the Nation's Capital and standing on guard in our cubicles. VP!

A PATRICIA IN THE SINAI

Life in North Camp is good and things are going very well for the Canadian Contingent in the Sinai. The weather has been great this week, sunny and mid to high twenties in the day, nine to twelve at night, I like it. There is still plenty to do here with inter-contingent sports, quiz nights, darts and card tournaments and as usual I will have a few folks over to hit some golf balls this afternoon; remember our weekend is Friday and Saturday when this happens, which is more often than not. I hope to get out on the golf course next weekend. All us Canadians are now on the down slide of the tour, both the year long and the present six monthers (they go home in April, the rest of us in July), time does seem to go fast on this deployment. I haven't heard who my replacement is, but I hope he for his sake he finds out soon as I'm sure like all he has a busy job to handover and there is a lot of preparation to do before deploying over here.

There is still a lot of activity in the area even though the Israeli Defence Force has pulled back from the Gaza, Humas just doesn't want to play nice and that means the bombs are still flying from time to time. You have probably heard in the news that American and European nations are assisting with tunnel detection and anti-smuggling efforts along the Egypt Gaza border; that is completely separate from our MFO operations as it does not fall with in our mandate. That is a good thing as involvement in that issue would not enhance our peace support operations.

I've just finished my first week back in the saddle after two really great weeks of vacation. Sandra arrived on the 17 January and we immediately headed off on a Nile river cruise for five days. That was an outstanding time, we saw lots of interesting historical locations from temples to tombs and the Luxor/Aswan area of Egypt is much cleaner than all of the other places I've visited over here. "Allah" the tour guide we had took care of all our needs and didn't have us up racing around early in the morning; the pace was very laid back. The ship was a hotel on the water; the meals were great and the cabins

were big. We had great company on the cruise; as a MFO colleague Bill Belcher and his girlfriend Kelly had coincidentally booked the same tour. After the cruise we returned to Cairo and then on to North Camp where we spent a night before moving on to Eilat Israel, which is a beach resort town at the most southern point of the country on the Gulf of Aqabah. We spent a full week in Eilat and it was great; we spent the time relaxing, drinking, eating and hiking around to work all that off. There was only one day when the alarm went off and that was an early morning as we headed to Jordan to visit the amazing ancient city of Petra, a civilization carved into the sandstone walls of a huge natural canyon. That was really something to experience, a long but extremely enjoyable day and again we got lots of exercise walking about. On return to North Camp Sandra got another couple of days to experience life in the MFO before she started her long journey home. She got back to Ottawa last Sunday night and was back at work the next day on 2 Feb. I've spoken to her every day this week and she is missing the warm weather; I don't need to tell most of you folks how cold it is back home. Now it is time to start planning our next vacation for the spring, most likely April. Sandra and I are going to hook up in Europe; we've seen enough of Egypt. We hope to visit our friends Ralf and Conny Beckmann in France among other things, (that's your warning Ralf I'll be in touch soon).

Well my friends thanks for tolerating my ramblings, I will be in touch again soon. I hope you enjoy the pictures and didn't annoy you too much with all that talk about holidays and warm weather. Yeah, yeah I basically just rubbed it in again didn't I?

Cheers and best wishes to you all!

CWO JK McGregor
Force Sergeant Major
Multinational Force & Observers

MWO Dan Blunden (Ret'd) and his wife exploring Thailand

Dan was on leave from providing civilian support to Canadian operations in Kandahar, Afghanistan

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Corbould Road - Boundary Bay, BC

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Work Point Barracks - Esquimalt, BC

Work Point Barracks was originally occupied by D Company of the Regiment from March to August 1919. In April 1920 B Company occupied Work Point Barracks until the start of the Second World War. In the fall of 1957 the First Battalion moved to Work Point Barracks from Germany, where it remained until the fall of 1963 when the Battalion returned to Germany. On 19 September 1970 the First Battalion, The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada was re-designated as the Third Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry at Work Point Barracks, which was their home until 1992.

St. Paul's Church - Esquimalt, BC
St. Paul's Church, Esquimalt, pictured here in its original location at the foot of Signal Hill, was built in 1866 but Anglican services were held before that in the little 1858 school building that once stood on the property. Even earlier Anglican services were conducted by Royal Navy chaplains aboard their ships for naval personnel and the growing population around Fort Victoria.

Known later as St. Paul's Naval and Garrison Church, the building was dismantled and moved up the hill to its present location, partly to escape from damaging reverberations of naval gunnery practice in the straits.

"Esquimalt Church and Royal Roads, B.C." from Picturesque Victoria, B.C., Vancouver Island, published by T.N. Hibben & Co. ca. 1900. (Author collection)

The King's/Queen's and Regimental Colours were presented to the Regiment on the 14th of April, 1934, by the Earl of Bessborough, Governor-General of Canada at a parade in the Minto Street Armouries, Winnipeg, Manitoba. The Regimental Colour has emblazoned on it the ten Battle Honours that were awarded to the Regiment for its actions during the First World War and gazetted in 1919. On 15 August,

1950 these Colours were designated the Colours of the First Battalion upon the formation of the Second Battalion for service in Korea. Upon the death of King George VI, and the accession of Queen Elizabeth II, the King's Colour became the Queen's Colour. The Colours were laid up on 25 November 1959, in St Paul's Garrison Church, Esquimalt, British Columbia at the request of the Commanding Officer, Lieutenant Colonel JC Allan, DSO, MBE, CD. St Paul's was chosen for many reasons. The Regiment has an affiliation with the Church dating from 1920 when B Company was stationed at Work Point Barracks. There are three plaques in the Church commemorating the service of Patricias who died while serving in Victoria. In Army circles the Church is still known and fondly referred to as "The Garrison Church". When the Regiment was advised that the church was to be demolished in the early 1970s, the colours were removed and placed in the Military Museum in Calgary, Alberta. The Church never ended up being demolished, only moved, so now you will find a set of mini colours in the church with a plan to lay up a set of the Third Battalion's colours there in the future.

Patricia Boulevard - Prince George, BC

Patricia Boulevard, adjacent to Duke of Connaught Heights in Prince George, BC, has been named after the Regiment.

Schjelderup Lake - Strathcona Park, BC

Schjelderup Lake was named after LCol V.R. Schjelderup, DSO, MC, CD who commanded the Second Battalion from 02 December 1957 until 10 May 196060. Schjelderup Lake is located inside Strathcona Provincial Park on Vancouver Island, BC.

Roger Schjelderup was born in Smithers, BC and raised in Courtenay, located on Vancouver Island. In 1939 he enrolled at the University of British Columbia, but left his studies in 1941 to join the Army. By December 1941, he had qualified as a Second Lieutenant in The Canadian Scottish Regiment.

Arriving overseas in 1942, it was not until early 1944 that he was selected to be in the assault force for the invasion of France. He landed on Juno Beach on 6 June 1944 leading a platoon of soldiers from C Company of the First Battalion, The Canadian Scottish Regiment. Despite being wounded in his shoulder, he led his men to their objective six-miles inland and earned himself his first Military Cross.

He returned to the Regiment and was appointed acting captain before finding himself in command of C Company in the advance from Normandy to the Dutch border. The Battalion's attack across the Leopold Canal was fiercely opposed and at 0300 hours on 7 October, the Germans launched a determined counterattack. C Company headquarters found itself surrounded in a house, from which they resisted enemy attacks for two and a half hours before being forced to surrender.

Before any opportunity arose to be freed, the men from the Canadian Scottish were moved north to the German divisional headquarters in Oostburg for interrogation. While being moved again by foot to a prisoner-of-war camp in Germany, they were halted while waiting for a ferry. A young Dutch girl made her way to the crowd with a basket of fruit. Captain Schjelderup seized the opportunity to pass her a slip of paper with his name and rank. She was a member of the Dutch underground and his information made its way to Brigadier F.N. Cabeldu, DSO, informing him that he was still alive.

Following three days containment in a canal barge his wound sustained during the attacks on Leopold Canal worsened. The prisoners were moved to a train that ended up stalled in the city of Utrecht. With

no food or blankets, the prisoners' conditions worsened yet again. Sergeant Armando Gri had slid a penknife down his trousers and the men used this tool to carve an escape hatch in the two-inch thick walls, using a pencil to cover the fresh carvings. Late on October 23 the train began to move and the men kicked through their hatch. In total, ten men escaped from the car and split into small groups before moving on. Captain Schjelderup, along with Captain Brownbridge and Private Trainor encountered three German obstacles before Brownbridge was eventually re-captured. Captain Schjelderup and Private Trainor found refuge at a farm selling black market milk. The owners were sympathetic and housed them while they contacted the Dutch Resistance. The Canadians were taken to isolated ruins where they were interrogated to confirm the validity of their identification.

Captain Schjelderup ended up being housed with the leader of the Resistance, Hermannus Raker, due to his ailing medical state. Although in good hands he was diagnosed with pneumonia and a trained nurse was finally brought in under the noses of the Gestapo. At one point the family was forced to discuss how to dispose of his body, however Schjelderup's will to live prevailed.

On 23 December, five other Canadians, including Sergeant Gri, were brought to the Raker's residence to prepare to move to allied lines. Small groups of escapers were moved to Amerongen, which was to act as a staging area. On 2 January they moved to an abandoned brickyard where 19 escapers were to meet a British patrol. Failing the arrival of the patrol at the designated time the group decided to move on their own. Following the unfortunate encounter with a German patrol and then a German machine-gun position the group of escapers was soon separated. Captain Schjelderup, along with Sergeant Gri and a British paratrooper, Private J. Hardy, crept away from the German positions by moving along a frozen canal. Unfortunately, the ice was too thin and the three found themselves breaking through the ice with their fists, in an effort reach a small island where they huddled together through the cold night in an abandoned potato shed. When dawn finally came they found the Germans occupying an occasional post only ten yards away. After another cold night they moved late in the day on 4 January.

After moving through the canal yet again they were faced with 600 yards of flooded land. They maneuvered their way across the semi-frozen land and took shelter in an abandoned house where they were able to make a fire and thaw the ice from their bodies and clothes. Once warm they planned their next move for 5 January. With Captain Schjelderup leading, Sergeant Gri, followed by Private Hardy, the three crept from the house and cautiously moved along until they located another house that they deemed acceptable to attempt to enter. They cautiously entered a house where they were able to scrounge food to curb their days old hunger pains. As they limped on Private Hardy walked backwards, respecting his spacing, to guard the rear of the strange procession. He often tripped over what he was later told were trip flare wires and mines that had been frozen useless.

Two pairs of eyes watched the trio from a slit as they made there way down the road. Captain Schjelderup and Sergeant Gri were allowed to pass the outpost but Private Hardy was challenged sharply. The trench belonged to members of the British 41st Recce Squadron and the three escapees were escorted to Battalion Headquarters for questioning. Finally they received medical attention on the outskirts of Nijmegen. It was for his courageous efforts during the escape that Captain Schjelderup was awarded the Bar to the Military Cross.

Roger Schjelderup chose to remain in the Canadian Army following the war. He progressed in rank and took command of the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry in August 1957. He was later promoted to Colonel and appointed Senior Military Advisor to the Canadian Defence Liaison Staff (London) in 1974 when he died suddenly of a war-related injury.

Patricia Bay - Vancouver Island, BC

Patricia Bay is located just next to Victoria International Airport on Vancouver Island. It must be determined if Patricia Bay was named after Lady Patricia.

Princess Patricia Apartments - Vancouver Island, BC

Princess Patricia's Apartments are located in Esquimalt, BC within one kilometre of Work Point Barracks. Work Point Barracks were originally occupied by D Company of the Regiment from March to August 1919. In April 1920, B Company occupied Work Point Barracks until the start of the Second World War.

Patricia District - Southeast BC

Patricia District is located in the south east area of BC. It is believed that it was named after Lady Patricia Ramsay.

Beacon Hill Park - Victoria, BC

On 17 July 1959, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II presented the Queen's and Regimental Colours, emblazoned with twenty-two Battle Honours in Victoria, BC.

These colours were retired on 8 May 1997 and laid up in the Regimental Museum. On 6 October 1963, Major General C.B. Ware DSO, CD, the Colonel of the Regiment, unveiled a granite memorial to commemorate the presentation of colours to the First Battalion.

Royal Jubilee Hospital - Victoria, BC

The Patricia Room, Veterans' Pavilion, Royal Jubilee Hospital has two wall plaques, bearing the following inscriptions:

(1) To the memory of all Ranks Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry 1914-1918, 1939-1945, this room is furnished by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Regiment's Esquimalt Branch 1947.

(2) This room was refurbished by the PPCLI Association Victoria Branch and serving members of the PPCLI Regiment in memory of those who gave their lives in the Korean conflict 1950-1953.

Lodge at Broadmead - Victoria, BC

Commemorative brick will be laid in the Lodge at Broadmead, Victoria, BC where Col Stone lived for several years until his death.

Canadian Pacific Steamship Liners Princess Patricia I

The Princess Patricia I was built in 1902 by the W. Denny Brothers of Dunbarton, Scotland and was originally named the Queen Alexandra. In 1911 she was renamed the Princess Patricia. From 1912 to 1937 the Princess Patricia I served with the Canadian Pacific National and Canadian Pacific Railway lines. She provided a fast ferry service between Nanaimo and Vancouver. The Princess Patricia was a turbine-engine ship which had a top speed of 21.6 knots and measured 270' x 32' x 12'. She was scrapped in 1937.

Princess Patricia II was built in 1948 by the Fairfield Company, Ltd of Glasgow Scotland. The ship measured 356' x 56' 16'. In 1970 the Princess Patricia II was transferred to the summer runs between Vancouver and Alaska.

Radar Hill - Tofino, BC

On 24 April 1998, in memory of the Canadian and PPCLI sacrifices in the Korean War, particularly the Battle of Kapyong, a monument was erected and dedicated on Radar Hill, just south of Tofino, on the west coast of Vancouver Island. A radar station was located on this hill during World War II. Little remains of the old installation, but the short trip to the top is well worth the climb as the panoramic views of the ocean, inlet and mountains can be found no where else in the National Park reserve. The Kapyong Memorial that commemorates the involvement of the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry during the Korean War. This National Park is twinned with Hallyo Haesang Sea National Park in Korea.

Patricia Way Cairn - Vernon, BC

Walter Draycott Statue and plaque - Lynn Valley, BC

Hastings Lake, BC

Donald Hastings was a volunteer soldier in the Canadian Army fighting with the United Nations in Korea. He holds the unfortunate distinction of being the only soldier from North Vancouver killed in the Korean War and the only soldier from British Columbia whose body was never recovered. Donald has no final resting-place.

Donald Hastings was born in North Battleford, Saskatchewan March 20, 1929. He Moved to B.C., living in the interior including Vernon and eventually settled down in North Vancouver. He finished schooling at North Vancouver High, completing grade 10. Donald was a confident young man and during his

school days participated in Cadets. One of his favorite passtimes was swimming.

Donald Hastings enlisted in the Canadian Army on July 26, 1945, volunteering for service in the Pacific Theatre. He served in the Merchant Navy, Canadian Army Pacific Force July 25, 1945 to June 14. The war in the Pacific ended in August and he was honorably discharged on June 14, 1946. Donald earned the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal.

Donald re-enlisted in the Canadian Forces in Vancouver 17 January 1949. He was posted to the famed Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Calgary Alberta. When the Korean War began, Cpl. Hastings was sent to Korea, arriving on the peninsula January 30, 1952. Cpl Hastings was part of the Sniper Section and was Killed in Action (KIA) on the "Richardson Patrol" October 15, 1952. The area where Cpl. Hastings had fallen was overran by the enemy and heavily shelled by Canadian Gunners. No trace of Cpl. Hastings could be found.

Donald Hastings is commemorated at the United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Busan, Republic of Korea. His name is also inscribed on a memorial tablet in North Vancouver, British Columbia.

Hastings Lake was named as part of the Remembrance Day ceremonies on 11 November 2005. Hastings Lake is located in Mount Seymour Provincial Park, in North Vancouver. It is a small lake at grid reference 06(55 degrees) North and just below 70 degrees West. Grid references are taken from Map 92G7, Port Coquitlam, New Westminster land District, Scale 1: 50 000.

Editors Note:

Mr Guy F. Black, on his own researched and submitted this proposal to the B.C. Government seeing this project through to fruition, with his only connection being a next door neighbour and friend, Mrs Phyllis Hastings, sister-in-law to Cpl Hastings. Mr Black served in the Engineer Corps, Cadets and the Reserves.

Buller Mountain - Spray Lakes Area, AB

One of the mountains in the Spray Lakes area was named after LCol H.C. Buller, DSO who was the Regiment's first Adjutant and was killed in action while commanding the Regiment during the Battle of Mont Sorrel.

Home Station - Currie Barracks, Calgary AB

Currie Barracks became the Home Station of the Regiment from 10 June 1946, until 10 December 1958, when Hamilton Gault Barracks was designated the Home Station. In October 1968 the First Battalion returned to Currie Barracks and it was again designated the Home Station of the Regiment. In addition to the First Battalion, Regimental Headquarters, the Regimental Museum and Regimental Band were created within Currie Barracks. Various buildings and streets have been named after Regimental Honours and individuals.

St George's Protestant Chapel - Calgary, AB

A stained glass window was installed in St George's Chapel, Currie Barracks, Calgary, AB. This window depicts the figure Gideon and was dedicated on behalf of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry on 17 March 1970. The 18th Century Chalices were acquired by the Founder, Hamilton Gault, for presentation to the Regiment to be used by the Protestant Faith. The Founder died before he could present the Chalices. They were subsequently presented to the Commanding Officer, Home Station, by Mrs. A. Hamilton Gault, widow of the Founder. On 21 December 1959, the Chalices were received into St John's Chapel, in Griesbach Barracks, Edmonton AB and were consecrated and taken into use. In October 1968, they were transferred to St George's Chapel, Currie Barracks, Calgary, AB, the new Home Station of the Regiment. The inscription on each Chalice is: This Chalice is presented to

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry for the use of the Protestant Faith by Brigadier A. Hamilton Gault founder and Colonel of the Regiment, Consecrated 21 December 1959.

Vimy Ridge Farm - Hardisty, AB

The farm was originally settled and developed by RSM W.J. Foden. Foden was born into a military family on 21 November 1876, at the garrison town of Cornich-Fergus, Ireland. He immigrated to Kingston, ON with his family in 1878 and enrolled in the militia with the 47th Frontenac Battalion. He served in the South African War with the First Canadian Contingent in Delta Company, Second (Special Service) Battalion, Royal Canadian Regiment. Foden fought at Paadeberg, Blomfontain and the Relief of Ladysmith and was selected for Canada's Honour Guard to London, England, for the Coronation of King Edward VII on 26 June 1902. He enlisted in the PPCLI in August 1914 as an Original and was given the Regimental Number of 500. He was the original CQMS of 2 Coy and later became the CSM. He was appointed A/RSM in October 1916 and served with the Regiment until he was seriously wounded with shrapnel in the neck and shoulders on 10 April 1917, during the second day of the Battle of Vimy. Due to his serious wounds he was transferred to the Canadian Trench Warfare Company on 18 June 1917, and remained with this unit until the end of the war. After the war, RSM Foden obtained a Veteran's Land Grant on the north edge of Hardisty, AB. He called his property Vimy Ridge. His granddaughter, Mrs. Eva Cookson, continues to reside on the farm. On 16 December 1983, the PPCLI Battle School presented a wooden sign that is hung over the main entrance of the farm.

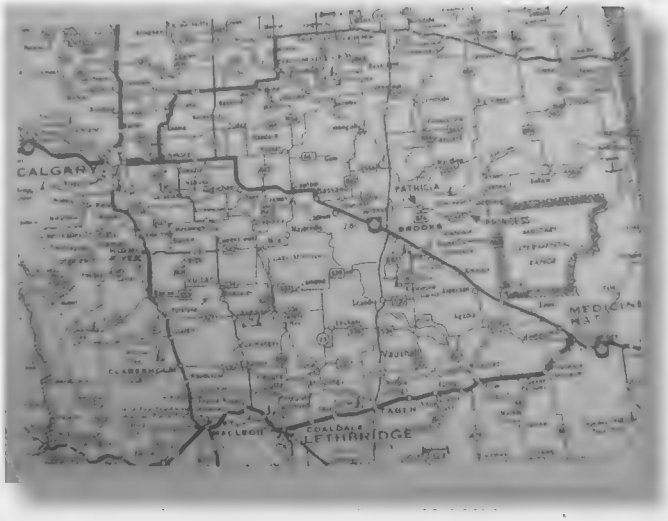
Camp Wainwright - Wainwright, AB

There are a number of locations in Camp Wainwright named after the Regiment. These are:

Mountbatten Gymnasium
Patricia Road
Patricia Hill
Jamieson Lake, named after LCol F.C. Jamieson the Commanding Officer 260th Battalion CSEF

Towns of Princess and Patricia, AB

When the Canadian Pacific Railway line was constructed, a section in Alberta was once known as the Royal Line. A number of stations were named after Royalty. Two of these stations were named after Princess Patricia of Connaught and are now known as the towns of Princess Patricia. They are located approximately 150 km East of Calgary, South of the Red Deer River.



Presentation of World War One Bass Drum

Immediately after the signing of the Charter to form the Regiment on 10 August 1914, recruiting posters and notices began to appear across the country appealing for volunteers to join the Regiment. The recruiting campaign brought some 3,000 volunteers to Ottawa from across Canada. One of the strangest contingents of volunteers arrived unannounced. The Edmonton Pipe Band, led by Pipe-Major J. Colville, arrived by train. When Pipe-Major Colville met the Commanding Officer at the Ottawa railway station, he stated that the band had come to "pipe the Regiment to France and back". When the Commanding Officer agreed that it would be good to have a piper in the Regiment, Pipe-Major Colville turned back to the coach and, with a stentorian bellow in his Scottish brogue, turned out the

entire Edmonton Pipe Band wearing full Highland kit and the Hunting Stewart tartan provided, with their pipes, by the St Andrew's Society of Edmonton. During the war, the band lightened many a march for the Regiment and proved stouthearted stretcher-bearers in action. Out of the original 13 members, the band suffered one dead of wounds, and seven wounded and were awarded two Distinguished Conduct Medals, one Military Service Medal and two Mentions in Dispatches. The band was demobilized on 20 March 1919, following the Regiment's return to Canada.

Since 1961, the Edmonton Police Service Pipes and Drums have maintained the affiliation with the Regiment. In 1972, the City of Edmonton Police Pipe Band was given the authority to wear the PPCLI Cap Badge on the crest of their sporrans.

Recently, a family in Belgium advised the PPCLI that it had in its possession an original bass drum from World War I. Apparently the Regimental Pipe Band had forgotten the drum in a café on the night of 11 November 1918, the day the war ended. The café owner gave the drum to an antique dealer who, unable to sell the drum, kept it in his family ever since. The daughter of the antique dealer graciously offered to return the drum to the Regiment. The Edmonton Police Service Pipes and Drums kindly assisted the Regiment by taking possession of the drum during a tour in France and Belgium for the 60th Anniversary of D-Day.

The Edmonton Police Service Pipes and Drums returned the drum to the Regiment and, in doing so, are good on the promise made in August 1914 "to pipe the Regiment to France and back".

Drop Zone Buxton - Namao, AB

DZ Buxton was named after RSM Buxton who died in a parachuting accident on the Drop Zone 30 July 1971.

Our Lady of Fatina Roman Catholic Chapel - Edmonton, AB

The Roman Catholic Chapel, located in Griesbach, Edmonton, AB has a Second Battalion Camp Flag that was presented on 11 November 1962, "dedicated to the hallowed memory of the men of the Battalion who gave their lives for their country".

St John's Protestant Chapel - Edmonton, AB

St John's protestant Chapel, located in Griesbach Barracks, Edmonton, AB, houses a plaque, in memory of the London Mother of the Patricia's, Miss Jenny MacGregor Morris, that reads as follows:

To the Glory of God and in Loving memory of Jenny MacGregor Morris 1870-1960 "London Mother" VP. This plaque is dedicated by serving members of the Regiment and Regimental Association, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

The Chapel has on display a Second Battalion Camp Flag presented on the 3rd of October 1961, dedicated to the hallowed memory of the men of the Battalion who have given their lives for their country.

The Chapel also has a First Battalion Camp Flag displayed.

Hamilton Gault Barracks Cairn/Hamilton Gault Memorial Park - Garrison Edmonton, AB

The Hamilton Gault Barracks Cairn replaced the Memorial Gate. At the entrance to Hamilton Gualt Barracks, Edmonton, AB was erected a Memorial Gate financed and sponsored by the PPCLI Jubilee Wives' Club. The gate read: "Hamilton Gault Barracks, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Home Station". The gate was officially opened by Mrs A. Hamilton Gault, widow of the Founder, on the evening of 16 September 1964.

Although the gate was damaged in 1968, removed, repaired and shipped to Calgary, it was subsequently returned to Edmonton in 1971 to be raised back into position by the Canadian Airborne Regiment.

The gate was again damaged, this time irreparably and was replaced by a memorial cairn. This cairn was then moved to the Hamilton Gault Park in Garrison Edmonton, AB on 18 June 2004, when Griesbach was closed as a military facility and turned over to Canada Lands. Inscribed on the bronze plaque is:

This marker commemorates the establishment of Hamilton Gault Barracks

Opened in 1957, the Barracks were named in memory of the Founder of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Brigadier A. Hamilton Gault, DSO, ED, CD, and was the home station of his Regiment during the period 1958-1968. Original Buildings within the Barracks were named in memory of the Regiment's Victoria Cross winners, Lt H. Mackenzie, VC, DCM; Sgt H. Mullin VC, MM, Sgt R. Spall VC; and major battles in which the Regiment distinguished itself at Frezenberg, Leonforte and Kapyong.

The Hamilton Gault Memorial Park was formally opened by Lady Patricia Mountbatten during a formal ribbon-cutting ceremony held on 20 June 2003. This event also served as the first official Regimental function attended by MGen Stewart (Ret'd), the newly appointed Colonel of the Regiment.

Tommy Prince Drill Hall - Camp Wainwright, AB

Tommy Prince was born October 1915 in a canvas tent at Petersfield, Manitoba. He was one of eleven children. Around 1920 his family moved to Scanterbury on the Brokenhead Reserve, 80 km north of Winnipeg. It was in this area that Prince grew up and learned his father's skills as a hunter and trapper.

Tommy Prince left school in 1933 after completing grade 8. Before leaving school Prince had joined Army Cadets and was very proud of his uniform and the respect it brought. He even tried to wear it into the classroom at one point. He was also a marksman who

could put five bullets through a target the size of a playing card at one hundred meters. This skill, on more than one occasion, kept food on the table. During the depression, Prince worked as a woodcutter and whatever other jobs he could get to earn money for his family.

At the outbreak of World War II, Tommy Prince applied to join the infantry although he was not accepted because there were too many applicants ahead of him. On 3 June 1940, Tommy Prince was accepted into the 1st Corps Field Park Company of the Royal Canadian Engineers. After six weeks of training the 1st Corps sailed for Europe. He soon became bored with the monotonus life of being a guard or operating lathes however, and in June 1942, the Canadian Military called for volunteers to train as paratroopers. Tommy prince volunteered and was accepted.

Of the hundred men that commenced training at the Parachute school at Ringway near Manchester, Tommy Prince was one of the nine to win his wings. Due to his natural field craft and ability to shoot he was soon promoted to Corporal. In September 1942, he flew back to Canada to become a member of the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion and was promoted to Sergeant on 16 March 1943. The Canadian Parachute Battalion was attached to the United States Special Service Force. This group was described as "the best small force of fighting men ever assembled on the North American continent".

In January 1943, the First Special Service Force landed on Kiska, Alaska. However the Japanese had already withdrawn. Tommy Prince received his first taste of actual combat in January 1944 at the Anzio beach head. On 8 February 1944 Sergeant Prince volunteered to run a telephone wire 1,500 meters into enemy territory and act as an artillery observer. His information was extremely accurate and four enemy positions were quickly destroyed although the line was cut by a stray round. Tommy Prince quickly donned some farmer's clothes that had been left behind inside the house where he was hiding, then acting as an angry peasant, and with a complete disregard for his own safety, he hoed the fields until he came to the break in the line. By pretending to tie his shoelaces he quickly spliced the wire and returned to the farmhouse where he once again passed the positions of the enemy to the Special Service Force artillery. After the enemy withdrew, Sgt Prince returned to his own lines and was subsequently awarded the Military Medal for "exceptional bravery in the field".

It was at the Anzio beach head that the Special Sevice Force earned its name as the "Devil's Brigade" from the Germans. After Anzio, the Devil's Brigade took part in the invasion of Southern France. It was during the advance along the Riviera that Sgt Prince once again distinguished himself. In order to achieve a total victory, the Battalion needed to know the exact enemy dispositions. Sgt Prince, accompanied by a private, sneaked through the German lines and located the enemy reserves. On the way back to their own lines they came across a battle between some partisans and Germans. From their concealed positions behind the Germans they soon changed the outcome of the Battle.

Sgt Prince returned to his own lines and was sent back into action at the head of the Battalion. The lightning attack by the Battalion resulted in the capture of over one thousand Germans and an unknown number killed. In 72 hours, Prince had covered over 70 km on foot, fought in two battles, all without food or sleep. The Americans awarded him a Silver Star for his role in the battle.

King George VI awarded the Military Medal and Silver Star to Sgt Thomas Prince at Buckingham Palace. After the war ended, he returned to Canada and was honourably discharged on 15 June 1945.

After demobilization, Tommy Prince returned to the Brokenhead

Reserve. He established his own cleaning service but was soon asked by the Manitoba Indian association to be their spokesman. He did his best to represent the Indians, but was eventually discouraged by the legal verbiage used against his arguments. Upon his return to Manitoba he discovered that his small cleaning business was no longer in existence. Heartbroken, he returned to the reserve and spent the next several years as a woodcutter and cement worker.

Tommy Prince was one of the first to volunteer for service in the Korean War. He was reinstated as a Sergeant and tasked with training members of the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. On 7 December 1950 the Second Battalion sailed for Korea. One of the numerous actions where Sgt Prince demonstrated his bravery was the Battle of Kapyong. In October 1951, Sgt Prince returned to Canada along with the remainder of the Second Battalion, despite his vehement objections. After a brief leave he was sent to Camp Borden where he was involved in training young officer cadets.

Sgt Prince was an excellent instructor, but he was determined to do another tour of combat in Korea. On 9 October 1952 Sgt Prince sailed to Korea along with the Third Battalion. Once again he distinguished himself in battle. After the fighting ended on 27 July 1953, Sgt prince returned to Canada. After sustaining a knee injury that surgery could not repair, Sgt Prince was discharged on 28 October 1953 with a small pension.

Tommy Prince did not find his move to civilian life easy because of the social pressures he was under. He began to drink too much. His life style rapidly deteriorated but he eventually recovered and lived out a quiet life. On 25 November 1977 Tommy Prince passed away at Deer Lodge Hospital for Veterans.

The PPCLI Battle School Drill Hall Building 211 was renamed as the Tommy Prince Drill Hall in March 1982.

Regimental Hall of Honour - Currie Barracks - Calgary, AB

The Regimental Hall of Honour was officially opened on 6 July 1983. Its purpose is to honour those Patricias who distinguished themselves in the service of the Regiment.

The Regimental Hall of Honour is located in the main entrance to the PPCLI Gallery at the Military Museum. The PPCLI Hall of Honour comprises 16 granite plaques that list the 1,857 men and women who died on active service with the Regiment. On display at the centre of the Hall of Honour is a portrait of Princess Patricia of Connaught, the Ric-A-Dam-Doo (the Regiments original Regimental Colour) and the wreath of Laurel presented to the Regiment by Princess Patricia in 1919.

Corporal Ainsworth Dyer Bench/Bridge - Edmonton, AB

Ainsworth Dyer was one of the four soldiers killed in the "Friendly Fire" incident while the Third Battalion PPCLI was deployed on Operation Apollo in Afghanistan, 2002. The project was initiated by the Van Sloten family, whose daughter was Ainsworth's fiancée. This site is located at the west end of Rundle Park at the North end of the footbridge (Ainsworth Dyer Bridge) that spans the North Saskatchewan River, providing a link to Goldbar Park. This site was selected for four reasons: Anisworth proposed to Jocelyn on the bridge; they spent much time in the area together; Cpl Dyer trained for the Mountain Man Competition in the area; and, there would be a lasting memorial at a heavily used public place.

Griesbach - Edmonton, AB

Griesbach was officially closed as a Canadian Forces Base and was handed over to Canada Lands Company. To honour its military history, various streets, parks, and lakes in Griesbach were named after the PPCLI:

Patricia Lake
Frezenburg Avenue
San Fortunato Street
Sanctuary Wood
Colonel Stone Avenue.

Garrison Edmonton - Edmonton, AB

Third Battalion PPCLI Building (# 408) was named after Brigadier J.A. DeLalanne, CBE, MC, ED. When 3 PPCLI's home base was Work Point Barracks Esquimalt, BC, their new Lecture Training Facility was named after Brigadier J.A. DeLalanne. However, in 1995 when Work Point Barracks was handed over to the Navy, it was renamed after one of the Navy's distinguished Admirals. Thus,

in 1996 when the Third Battalion's new home base became Edmonton Garrison, the new building was renamed after Brigadier J.A DeLalanne.

First Battalion PPCLI's Building (#403) is named after former Colonel of the Regiment, MGen G.G. Brown. Regimental Headquarters is co-located with 1PPCLI.

Patricia Lake - Jasper, AB

Patricia Circle, Crescent Street/Connaught Avenue - Jasper, AB

Mullin Farm Memorial - Moosomin, SK

A memorial cairn commemorating Sergeant Harry Mullin, VC was erected on his former homestead near Moosomin, Saskatchewan (1892-1963). January of 1918, Sergeant Mullin was informed that he was awarded the Victoria Cross for his actions on 30 October 1917, at Passchendaele, Belgium, where 25 year old Sergeant Mullin single-handedly captured a German pillbox that had withstood heavy bombardment and was causing heavy casualties, holding up the attack. Mullin rushed a snipers' post in front, destroying it with grenades, shot two gunners and forced the remaining ten soldiers to surrender. His clothes were riddled with bullets, but he never faltered; his actions helped to save many lives.

Mullin was born in Portland Oregon in 1892 and his family moved to Moosomin when he was two years old. He enlisted for military service in 1914 and was awarded the Military Medal in 1917. After the war, he returned to Moosomin and served with the Militia in the Assiniboia Regiment, attaining the rank of Major. He was appointed Sergeant-at-Arms for the Saskatchewan Legislature in 1934. During World War II, he volunteered for service in the Veterans' Guard in 1940. In 1947 he returned to Regina and resumed his duties as Sergeant-at-Arms. The Government of Saskatchewan named a northern lake in his honour.

All Saints Church - Winnipeg, MB

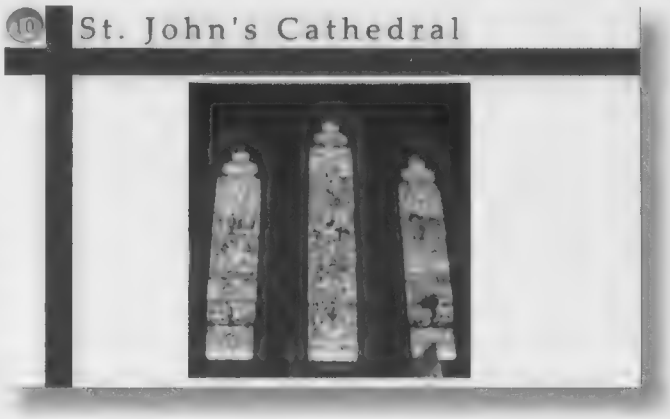
The silk Union Jack and replica of the Original Colour obtained in 1922 were laid up in the Church in 1934 upon presentation of the first stand of "official" Colours. In addition to the Colours, on the pillar below the Union Jack there is a bronze memorial plaque that was dedicated on 8 November 1945 inscribed: In memory of the Officers and Men of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry who Fell in Action

St Andrews Protestant Chapel - CFB Winnipeg, MB

On 28 March 1976, in conjunction with the Second Battalion's commemoration of the 25th Anniversary of the Battle of Kapyong, a memorial window was dedicated in the presence of and unveiled by our Colonel-in Chief, Lady Patricia Brabourne. Also in attendance was her father, The Earl Mountbatten of Burma, and Colonel J.R. Stone, Commanding Officer of 2 PPCLI in Korea. This window, depicting the Regimental Cap Badge and the United States Presidential Unit Citation, was dedicated in memory of the members of the Second Battalion who gave their lives in the service of Canada and the United Nations in Korea.

St John's Anglican Cathedral - 135 Anderson St, Winnipeg, MB

The Regimental badge is incorporated in the center pane of the three-pane armed forces memorial window in the transept of the Cathedral Church. There is no written inscription referring to the Regiment, however, the window was dedicated by members of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 84. The left transept (geographical west / ecclesiastical north) is dedicated to all those who served in the Canadian Armed Forces in the major conflicts of the past century. The stained glass window which dominates the transept shows scenes from every war which has involved people from Manitoba - from Batoche to the Boer War, The First and Second World Wars, and Korea.



Designed by Western Art Glass of Winnipeg, it was dedicated on 19 October 1975, to the Glory of God and in tribute to the Armed Forces of the Winnipeg Command. The Cathedral is the Regimental church of the Royal Winnipeg Rifles (The Little Black Devils) and the Regiment's drum and bugle is housed in a cabinet in the transept.

Kapyong Barracks - Winnipeg, MB

Second Battalion PPCLI was stationed in Winnipeg after returning from Germany in the fall of 1969. On 17 May 1973, Second Battalion's barracks in Winnipeg were renamed Kapyong Barracks, in honour of their heroic stand at Kapyong, Korea, on 24/25 April 1951.

The following names have been assigned to buildings and roads in Kapyong Barracks:

Frezenberg Building (Battalion Headquarters), Flanders Hall, Rimini Building, Somme Hall, Agira Building, Moro Building, Sicily Hall, Passchendaele Block, Courcelette Block, Mons Block, Vimy Block, Patricia Arms, VP Square, Gault Road, Brabourne Road, Ramsay Road, Mullin.

When the Second Battalion moved to Shilo, MB their main building was named after Col Jim Stone, while the maintenance building is named after RSM Les Grimes.

Ft. Osborne Barracks Memorial - Winnipeg, MB

The 93 year old complex now known as the Asper Jewish Community Campus is best remembered as "Fort Osborne Barracks", the former centre of Manitoba's military activities for nearly 50 years. The site has a long and varied history.

The complex was originally built during 1905/1906 to accommodate the Manitoba Agricultural College. The original property consisted of a site of 117 acres, at that time just west of Winnipeg city limits, extending from the south bank of the Assiniboine River to Wilkes Avenue between the present parallel streets of Edgeland and Doncaster. In 1913, the College moved to its present location at the University of Manitoba's Fort Garry Campus and the site was occupied by the Manitoba School for the Deaf from 1914 until moving to their present site on Shafstbury Boulevard in 1921. Military occupation of the site began in 1917 with the establishment of a convalescent hospital for returning soldiers.

The original Fort Osborne Barracks, named after Lieutenant-Colonel William Osborne, Commander of Military District Number10, had been situated on the eastern part of the Legislative Grounds since 1872. When the new Legislative Building was completed in 1920, the barracks were moved to the Tuxedo location and the hospital was transferred to Deer Lodge.

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry originated in Ottawa on 10 August 1914, at the outbreak of the Great War. They sailed for England on September 27th, beginning four and a half years of service abroad. The Regiment returned to Ottawa on 19 March 1919, where it was disbanded the following day. A few days later, the Regiment was selected to form part of Canada's "peacetime" Permanent Force, and re-established at Stanley Barracks, Toronto, where it remained until moving to Long Branch Camp, outside the city, in September. It returned to Toronto in December and, in January, 1920, moved to Tecumseh Barracks, London, ON.

In April 1920, D Company moved to Winnipeg and was quartered in Fort Osborne Barracks together with Headquarters Military District #10, Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians) and C Battery, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery. In November they were joined by Headquarters Company and A Company. B Company moved from London to Esquimalt, BC.

In September 1939, as war-clouds gathered over Europe, the Patricia's received mobilization orders and immediately began recruiting to full war establishment. By the end of October they were virtually up to strength and Fort Osborne Barracks was crammed to bursting. On 14 November, B and D Companies arrived from Esquimalt, and on 17 December, the Regiment entrained for Halifax, en-route to England with First Canadian Division. The newly-formed Regimental Depot remained at Fort Osborne Barracks and provided thousands of reinforcements to the Regiment and other overseas units during WW II.

The Regiment served with distinction in England, Sicily, Italy and Northwest Europe, finishing in Holland when the war ended in May 1945. They finally arrived back in Winnipeg in October and the War Service Battalion was formally disbanded in a ceremony at the Civic Auditorium on 10 November 1945.

In June 1945, Second Battalion of the Regiment was authorized for service in the Pacific. They began to assemble at Shilo, MB, and moved to Camp MacDonald, MB, in late July. When Japan surrendered on 15 August, the Canadian Army Pacific Force was disbanded and the Second Battalion became part of a holding establishment known as the "Interim Force". In January 1946, they returned to Shilo. On 1 March 1946, the "Second Battalion" designation was dropped and the unit became known as "Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry". Early in May, the Patricia's moved from Shilo into Fort Osborne Barracks for the first post-war Trooping of the Colour. In June, they left Manitoba and moved to their new home in Calgary. Fort Osborne Barracks remained the home of Headquarters Manitoba Area and Number 10 Personnel Depot.

With construction of the new barracks, now known as Kapyong Barracks, at Kenaston Boulevard and Grant Avenue in 1957, followed by integration of the Armed Forces in the mid-sixties, Fort Osborne Barracks became redundant. The site was turned over to the Province of Manitoba in 1968 and was used as office space by various government departments.

For some time the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council had been searching for a consolidated home for three Jewish schools, YMHA recreational facilities, cultural activities and community services. The Tuxedo location was ideal for their purpose and they purchased the site with the agreement that the original Administration Building, Dairy Sciences Building and Powerhouse would be preserved. These three Heritage Buildings have been integrated in the new development, which encompasses the schools, a community and fitness centre, a theatre and the Jewish Museum of Western Canada, along with office space for the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council and several other agencies. Major construction and renovations were completed in the summer of 1997 and it was officially opened as the Asper Jewish Community Campus on 7 September 1997. The campus is named for Leon and Cecilia Asper, parents of Global Television mogul Israel Asper, Honorary Chairman of the Board and a major financial contributor to the project.

On 5 September 1997, two days before the Campus was officially opened, a monument, commissioned by the PPCLI Regimental Heritage Committee to perpetuate the Regiment's occupation of Fort Osborne Barracks, was erected in front of the old Headquarters Building by the Winnipeg firm of Eden Memorials Incorporated. The rough-cut granite slab is approximately four feet high, two and one half feet wide, almost two feet thick, and weighs about 3,800 pounds. Its inscription reads:

THIS MONUMENT MARKS THE SITE OF FORT OSBORNE BARRACKS
HOME OF PRINCESS PATRICIA'S CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY
FROM APRIL 1920 UNTIL THEIR DEPARTURE IN DECEMBER 1939
FOR SERVICE IN WORLD WAR II

On 10 July 1998, the 55th Anniversary of the Landing in Sicily, members and friends of the Regiment returned to the site to witness an impressive ceremony featuring a Hundred Man Guard of Honor, Colours and Drum Line from Second Battalion. Drums were piled and, following a brief introduction by Rod Middleton, Chairman of the Regimental Heritage Committee, the Fort Osborne Monument was unveiled by Major-General Bill Hewson (Ret'd), Colonel of the Regiment, and Doug Bedford, National President of the PPCLI Association. A Dedication Service was conducted by Second Battalion's Chaplain, Lieutenant (Navy) Steve Merriman. Present at the ceremonies were nine veterans of the Landing in Sicily who had served in Fort Osborne Barracks before proceeding overseas in late 1939 and early 1940, and the widows of three others who had served overseas with the Regiment in World War II.

As time passes, this location will become well known as the Asper Jewish Community Campus. However, it must not be forgotten that for half a century encompassing two World Wars and the Korean War, it was an important centre of Military activity in the Province of Manitoba. Thousands of young men and women enlisted, trained and left here to fight for peace and freedom in foreign lands. Many did not return. This monument will serve as a memorial to them and perpetuate a significant era in the histories of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, the City of Winnipeg and the Province of Manitoba.

MANITOBA GEOGRAPHICAL FEATURES:

Amos Lake: Map ref: 64 K/7, located northeast of Reindeer Lake. Named in 1972 after H2957 L/Cpl George Amos of Winnipeg. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 31. Commemorated at Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Frederick and Elizabeth B. Amos. Wife: Winnifred P Amos of Carnduff, SK.

Vernon Anderson Lake: Map ref: 64 C/9, located north east of Eden Lake. Named in 1995 after H17897 Pte Vernon Anderson of Selkirk, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944. Commemorated at the Moro River Cemetery. Son of Joseph T. and Mary E. Anderson.

Argue Lake: Map ref: 52 E/14, located southeast of Lac du Bonnet. Named in 1974 after H17103 L/Cpl Reginald G. Argue of Moore Dale, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 24. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Robert H. and Ethel M. Argue of Brandon, MB.

Bangle Lake: Map ref: 64 0/10, located northwest of Nejanilini Lake. Named in 1975 after H17778 L/Cpl Clarence F. Bangle of Walkerburn, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 21. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Rexford E. and Mary J. Bangle of Walkerburn, MB.

Barnes Island: Map ref: 64 N/15, in Goose Lake. Named in 1989 after H65994 Pte Earl R. Barnes of Medora, MB. Killed on 13 October 1943 at the age of 23. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Horace H. and Helena M. Barnes of Medora, MB.

Baumann Lake: Map ref: 64 K/14, located northeast of Reindeer Lake. Named in 1972 after H16033 Jacob L. Baumann of St Boniface, MB. He was raised in Plum Coulee, MB and moved to Winnipeg. He joined the PPCLI and deployed with the Regiment to England. He was injured by an exploding field stove and hospitalized. On discharge, he was posted to the Regina Rifle Regiment as a medical assistant. Killed on 13 August 1944 at the age of 25. Commemorated at Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Jacob and Helen Baumann. Married to Florence L. Baumann of Prince Rupert, BC.

Bazzlo Lake: Map ref: 63 J/13, northeast of Wekusko Lake. Named in 1972 after H16621 Pte Mike Bazzlo of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 8 December 1943 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

Beitz Lake: Map ref: 64 I/9, northeast of North Knife Lake. Named in 1972 after H204105 Pte Fredrich Beitz. Killed on 24 May 1944 at the age of 22. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Reinhardt and Susan Beitz of Winnipeg, MB.

Belanger Island: Map ref: 64 O/9, in Connolly Lake. Named in 1995 after H17835 Sgt Joseph Belanger of Transcona, MB. Prior to the war was Principal of La Fortune School at Woodridge, MB. Joined the PPCLI during WWII and transferred to the First Special Service Force. Killed on 16 September 1944 at the age of 25. Commemorated at Mazargues War Cemetery. Son of Joseph E. and Angelina Belanger of Transcona, MB.

Bennett Point: Map ref: 64 N/7, in Watkins Lake. Named in 1995 after H8957 Pte Ruben R. Bennett of McCreary, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 and commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Chester and Martha Bennett of McCreary, MB.

Benzie Lake: Map ref: 64 C/3, southwest of Granville Lake. Named 1953 after 42185 Pilot Officer John Benzie of Winnipeg, MB. Joined the PPCLI after high school. Left the Regiment to learn how to fly. At the outbreak of WWII, he went to England and joined the RAF, serving in 242 Sqn. Killed on 7 September 1940, shot down during the Battle of Britain. Commemorated at the Runnymede Memorial in Surrey, England. Son of John and Agnes Benzie of Winnipeg, MB.

Bjornson Island: Map ref: 53 L/13, in Oxford Lake. Named in 1972 after K85316 Pte Joel T. Bjornson of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 18 September 1944 at the age of 25. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Herman and Freda Bjornson of Winnipeg, MB.

Black Esker: Map ref: 63 I/1, north of Little Bolton Lake. Named in 1995 after H17223 Pte Douglas A. Black of Brandon, MB. Killed on 8 August 1944 at the age of 32. Commemorated at Florence War Cemetery. Son of Hugh A. and Agnes M. Black of Vancouver, BC.

Walter Black Lake: Map ref: 53 M/10, southwest of Stupart Lake. Named in 1998 after SH800223 Cpl Walter A. Black of Russell, MB. Killed on 14 November 1951 at the age of 25. Commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery in Pusan, South Korea.

Blair Bay: Map ref: 64 P/3, in Hoguycho Lake. Named in 1996 after H16196 Pte Reginald R. Blair of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 20 December 1944 at the age of 20. Commemorated at Ravenna War Cemetery. Son of James J. and Flora Blair of Georgetown, On. Married to Nancy F. Blair of Lancing Sussex, England.

Boak Lake: Map ref: 64 K/14, northeast of Lac Brochet. Named in 1972 after H17810 Pte William Boak of Portage La Prairie, MB. Died on active service on 20 July 1942 at the age of 23. Commemorated at Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England. Son of Mike and Mary Boak of Portage la Prairie, MB.

Boulton Lake: Map ref: 52 L/11, northwest of Black Lake. Named in 1982 after H95593 Pte Willliam R. Boulton of Morden, MB. Killed on 23 July 1943 at the age of 24. Commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Albert and Harriet C. Boulton of Morden, MB.

Brian Lake: Map ref: 64 O/7, northwest of Sandhill Lake. Named in 1995 after Maj Donald Brain. Killed on 10 December 1943 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

Brogden Lake: Map ref: 63 I/16, east of Cross Lake. Named in 1973 after H16600 Pte Robert R. Brogden of Cartwright, MB. Died on 25 April 1943 when a dud exploded during a training exercise in Sussex England. Commemorated at Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England.

Brophy Lake: Map ref: 64 N/12: southwest of Nueltin Lake. Named in 1972 after Capt John P. Brophy of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 13 June 1944 at the age of 36. Commemorated at Beach Head War Cemetery, Anzio. Son of Arthur and Agnes Brophy. Married to Vivien Brophy of Toronto, On.

Brown Island: Map ref: 64 J/1, in the South Seal River. Named in 1975 after H101378 Pte Albert Brown of Balmoral, MB. Killed on 23 July 1943 at the age of 27. Commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Paul and Anne Brown of Balmoral, MB.

Edward Brown Lake: Map ref: 64 C/14, south of Vandekerckhove Lake. Named in 1995 after H60603 Pte Edward H. Brown of Petersfield, MB. Killed on 22 April 1945 at the age of 22. Commemorated at the Holten Canadian War Cemetery. Son of William E. and Alice M. Brown of Petersfield, MB.

Brown River: Map ref: 64 I/3, which flows northeast into North Knife Lake. Named in 1995 after H16583 Pte George D. Brown of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 25 July 1943 at the age of 31. Commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Donald and Ida Brown.

Brydon Island: Map ref: 53 M/5, in Utik Lake. Named in 1998 after H800191 Pte Harry B. Brydon of Roblin, MB. Killed on 8 October 1951 at the age of 24. Commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery in Pusan, South Korea.

Burton Bay: Map ref: 63 P/15, in Goose Hunting Lake. Named in 1995 after Capt Lloyd G. Burton of Portage La Prairie, MB. Killed on 17 September 1944 at the age of 24. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Eldest son of Frank and Eugenie V. Burton of Portage la Prairie, MB. Married to Avril M. Burton of London England.

Calder Island: Map ref: 64 C/8,in Granville Lake. Named in 1995 after H65991 Pte Clifford A. Calder of Treherne, MB. Killed on 9 October 1943 at the age of 23. Commemorated at Bari War Cemetery. Son of William and Blanche Calder of Portage La Prairie and survived by his wife Myrtle Calder of Winnipeg, MB.

Camelon Lake: Map ref; 64 N/5, southwest of Nueltin Lake. Named in 1972 after H16455 Pte Wilmer Camelon of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 22 July 1943 and commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery.

Joseph Campell Lake: Map ref: 53 N/15, northeast of Whitefish Lake. Named in 1995 after H1418 Pte Joseph W. Campbell of Holland, MB. He enlisted in the PPCLI in 1942, trained at Fort Garry and Shilo and was later attached to the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders, going overseas with that unit. Killed on 24 October 1944 at the age of 21. Commemorated at Bergen-op-Zoom Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Lloyd J. and Ada L. Campbell.

Cassells Lake: Map ref: 64 J/8, south of Tadoule Lake. Named in 1975 after H103870 Pte James A. Cassells of Shoal Lake, MB. Killed on 15 December 1943 at the age of 21. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of William and Frances Cassells of Shoal Lake, MB.

Charney Lake: Map ref: 64 K/11, northeast of Reindeer Lake. Named in 1972 after H16285 Pte Peter Charney of St. Boniface, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 27. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Peter and Magda Charney and survived by his wife Winnifred Charney of Croydon Surrey and their son.

Clark Falls: Map ref: 64 C/3, on the unnamed river which connects Abrey Lake and Mcknight Lake. Named in 1995 after H3524 Pte Albert G. Clark of Carman, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 34. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of George C. and Mary Clark and survived by his wife Joan Clark of Hounslow, Middlesex, England

Cleunion Lake: Map ref: 63 N/3, south of Kississing Lake. Named in 1972 after H18177 Pte Lucien J. Cleunion of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 4 January 1945 at the age of 20. Commemorated at Ravenna War Cemetery. He was survived by his mother Marie Cleunion of Winnipeg, MB.

Clifton Lake: Map ref: 64 J/11,north of Oxford Lake. Named in 1985 after H16360 Pte Arthur Clifton of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 15 December 1943 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

Albert Collins Lake: Map ref: 53 K/13, northeast of Gods Lake. Named in 1995 after H64824 Pte Albert C. Collins of Brandon, MB. Killed on 18 September 1944 at the age of 21. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Albert and Margaret Collins.

Corkett Lake: Map ref: 64 K/5, northeast of Reindeer Lake. Named in 1972 after Capt George R. Corkett of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 22 September 1944 at the age of 28. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Col Cecil and Madeline G. Corkett and survived by his wife Alieen M.D. Corkett and their daughter.

Cormier Lake: Map ref: 64 F/2, southeast of Wells Lake. Named in 1994 after H16449 Pte Omer Cormier of La Salle, MB. Killed on 8 August 1944 at the age of 22. Commemorated at Florence War Cemetery.

Cory Lake: Map ref: 64 K/7, northeast of Reindeer Lake. Named in 1972 after H17010 Pte Willis L. Cory of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 31 August 1944 at the age of 41. Commemorated at Montecchio War Cemetery. Son of William and Ann Cory and survived by his wife Annie L. Cory of Winnipeg, MB.

Cousins Lake: Map ref: 64 B/15, east of Southern Indian Lake. Named in 1948 after H16736 Pte Sidney J. Cousins of Bagor, MB. Killed on 22 July 1943 at the age of 23. Commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. Son of William J. and Mabel E. Cousins of Bagor, MB.

Cowie Lake: Map ref: 63 J/16, east of Setting Lake. Named in 1972 after H17169 Pte Robert Cowie of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 13 December 1943 at the age of 27. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of George and Annie Cowie and survived by his wife Phyllis Cowie of Peacehaven Sussex, England.

Crabtree Lake: Map ref: 64 N/12, southwest of Nueltin Lake. Named in 1972 after Lt. John C. Crabtree of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 24. Commemorated at Cassino War Cemetery. Son of George and Margaret Crabtree of Regina, SK.

Crane Island: Map ref: 64 O/12, in Shannon Lake. Named in 1995 after H17224 Pte Gordon R. Crane of Markaroff, MB. Killed on 24 January 1944 at the age of 23. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Thomas and Maude Crane of Portage La Paririe, MB.

Crompton Lake: Map ref: 53 N/3, south of White Goose Lake. Named in 1998 after SH61667 Pte Kenneth C. Crompton of Brandon, MB. Killed on 3 May 1953 at the age of 26. Commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery in Pusan, South Korea. Son of John and Edith Crompton of Portage La Prairie, MB.

Currie Island: Map ref: 63 N/10, in Flatrock Lake. Named in 1995 after H16591 L/Cpl Cecil Harvey Currie of St Vital, MB. Killed on 22 July 1943 at the age of 23. Commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Herbert and Vera Currie and survived by his wife Eileen Currie and their son of Winnipeg, MB.

Dearle Island: Map ref: 63 N/3, in Kississing Lake. Named in 1972 after H8810 Pte Robert H. Dearle of Ninette, MB. Killed at Bagnacavallo, Italy on 12 Feb 1945 at the age of 21. Commemorated at Ravenna War Cemetery. Son of Robert H. and Charlotte Dearle of St James, MB.

Dodd Lake: Map ref: 64 G/4, northeast of Grandmother Lake. Named in 1994 after H103756 Pte Charles A. Dodd of Ekhart, MB. Killed on 11 May 1944 at the age of 22. Commemorated at Bari War Cemetery. Son of Richard and Alice Dodd of Balmoral, MB.

Driedger Lake: Map ref: 64 K/7, northeast of Reindeer Lake. Named in 1972 after H21112 Pte John H. Driedger of Lockport, MB. Killed on 7 December 1943 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

Duncan Bay: Map ref: 64 C/8, in Stag Lake. Named in 1995 after H16630 Cpl Sydney C. Duncan of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 23. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Percival and Emily Duncan of St Vital, MB and husband of Joan Duncan (war bride) of Winnipeg, MB.

Eastland Lake: Map ref: 52 L/6, northeast of Lac du Bonnet. Named in 1973 after H92438 Pte Jack Eastland of Brandon, MB. Killed on 20 December 1944 at the age of 22. Commemorated at Cesena War Cemetery. Son of Axel and Ethel Eastland of Sandy Lake, MB and his wife O. Eastland of London, England and their daughter whom he never saw.

Edgley Bay: Map ref: 53 I/4, in Kitchi Lake. Named in 1998 after L/Cpl Harold V. Edgley of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 6 June 1951 at the age of 30. Commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Ehinger Lake: Map ref: 64 K/8, northeast of Reindeer Lake. Named in 1972 after H16611 Pte Fredrick Ehinger of Beausejour, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 and is commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Frank H. and Helen F. Ehinger of Beausejour, MB. He was married in England and was the father of one daughter, Patricia, whom he never saw.

Farand Lake: Map ref: 53 E/15, northwest of Island Lake. Named in 1998 after SH4942 Pte Adelard J. Farand of Winnipegosis, MB. Killed on 19 November 1952 at the age of 19. Commemorated at the United Nation Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Firth Bay: Map ref: 64 O/7, in Kram Lake. Named in 1995 after H16096 Pte Fred Firth of Winnipeg, MB. Died on active service 2 May 1942 and commemorated at Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England.

Fox Peninsula: Map ref: 64 F/6, on Wells Lake. Named in 1994 after H16002 Sgt John E. Fox of Winnipeg, MB. Died on active service 24 January 1942 and is commemorated at Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England. Son of Fred E. and Kathleen I. Fox of Winnipeg, MB.

Francis Bay: Map ref: 64 K/16, in the Seal River. Named in 1995 after H103294 Pte Lindsay Leroy Francis of Norgate, MB. Killed on 6 August 1944, by a mine explosion at the age of 31. Commemorated at Florence War Cemetery. Son of Harry and Elizabeth Francis of Norgate, MB.

Furey Lake: Map ref: 64 H/9, southeast of Etawney Lake. Named in 1978 after H17773 L/Cpl Patrick Furey of Carberry, MB. Killed on 12 December 1943 at the age of 21. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of James and Kate Furey of Carberry, MB.

Garand Peninsula: Map ref: 63 P/5, in Paint Lake. Named in 1998 after Pte Joseph Edmond H. Garand of Dunrea, MB. Killed on 19 November 1951 at the age of 21. Commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea. Son of August and Rosanne Garand of Dunrea, MB.

Garritty Lake: Map ref: 64 H/9, southeast of North Knife Lake. Named in 1978 after Lt. Mervyn E. Garritty of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 20 December 1944 at the age of 30. Commemorated at Ravenna War Cemetery. Son of Edward J. and Ellen T. Garritty and survived by his wife Helen J. Garritty of Ottawa, ON.

Gascoyne Lake: Map ref: 63 O/4, north of Wekusko Lake. Named in 1970 after H16574 Pte George Gascoyne of Winnipeg, MB. Died on active service 20 July 1942 at the age of 35. Commemorated at Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England. Son of Frank and Sarah Gascoyne of Derby, Surrey, England.

Gayoway Lake: Map ref: 64 O/9, northwest of Nejanilini Lake. Named in 1975 after H17785 Pte Michael Gayoway of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 4 December 1943 at the age of 23. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Michael and Louise Gayoway of Winnipeg, MB.

Genalille Island: Map ref: 64 O/5, in Booth Lake. Named in 1975 after H92488 Pte Lewis Genaille of Russell, MB. Killed on 27 December 1944 and commemorated at Cesena War Cemetery.

Gensorick Lake: Map ref: 64 O/3, southeast of Blackfish Lake. Named in 1995 after H16225 Pte Frank Gensorick. Killed on 6 December 1943 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

Gladu Lake: Map ref: 63 P/2, north of Wilkins Lake. Named in 1998 after H800129 Pte Leo P. Gladu of St Boniface, MB. Killed on 3 April 1951 at the age of 19. Commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Godkin Lake: Map ref: 63 J/12, east of Wekusko Lake. Named in 1972 after H1875 Pte James C. Godkin of Amaranth, MB. Joined the PPCLI in March 1943 in Winnipeg. Transferred to the Lake Superior Regiment and went overseas. Killed on 9 August 1944 at the age of 21. Commemorated at Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery. Son of William J. and Maggie M. Godkin of Ladysmith, BC.

Gold Island: Map ref: 64 K/16, in Stevens Lake. Named in 1989 after H16928 Rifleman David S. Gold of Pine Falls, MB. Joined the PPCLI in Winnipeg and transferred to the Royal Winnipeg Rifles. Killed on 8 June 1944 at the age of 26. Son of Ernest S. and Beatrice E. Gold of Pine Falls, MB.

Goodburn Lake: Map ref: 64 K/8, northeast of Reindeer Lake. Named in 1972 after H17155 Sgt Wilfred Goodburn of Napinka, MB. Killed on 16 February 1945 at the age of 23. Commemorated at Argenta Gap War Cemetery. Son of John and G. Margaret Goodburn of Napinka, MB.

Gosselin Lake: Map ref: 64 K/6, northeast of Reindeer Lake. Named in 1972 after H101406 Pte Albert J.C. Gosselin of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 22 July 1943 and is commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. He was survived by his wife Ann Gosselin of Winnipeg, MB.

Griggs Lake: Map ref: 63 J/13, north of Wekusko Lake. Named in 1972 after H16043 Pte Frederick T. Griggs. Died while on active service on 30 August 1940 at the age of 33. Commemorated at Harrold (St Peter and All Saints) Churchyard Bedfordshire, England. Son of James and Ada Griggs.

Grimes Lake: Map ref: 64 J/12, west of Tadoule Lake. Named in 1972 after H3024 Pte Warren Grimes of Winnipeg, MB. Died while on active service on 20 July 1942 at the age of 20. Commemorated at Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England. Son of William and Gertrude Grimes and was survived by his foster-mother (aunt) Eliza Shanks of Winnipeg, MB.

Groves Island: Map ref: 63 N/3, in Kississing Lake. Named in 1972 after H16927 Pte George H. Groves of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 14 July 1943 at the age of 23. Commemorated at Enfidaville War Cemetery, Tunisia. Son of Henry and Lillian Groves and survived by his wife Betty I.M. Groves of Haslemere, Surrey.

Groves Island: Map ref: 63 N/3, in Kississing Lake. Named in 1972 after H100742 Pte Gordon Groves of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 20. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Henry and Lillian Groves of Dominion City, MB.

Alfred Hansen Lake: Map ref: 53 L/4, southwest of Bolton Lake. Named in 1998 after H800265 Pte Alfred E. R. Hansen of Spear Hill, MB. Killed on 26 February 1951 at the age of 23. Commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea. Youngest son of Niels and Marion Hansen.

Harford Lake: Map ref: 64 O/9, northwest of Nejanilini Lake. Named in 1975 after Pte Wilfred J. Harford of St James, MB. Killed on 17 September 1944 at the age of 23. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Wilfred and Amy Harford of St James, MB.

Harper Point: Map ref: 64 K/16, on Stevens Lake. Named in 1995 after Maj John T. Harper, OBE of Winnipeg, MB. Died while on active service on 15 October 1944 at the age of 51. Commemorated at

Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England. Son of John T. and Lucy Harper and survived by his wife Alice P. Harper of Sidney, BC.

Hayes Bay: Map ref: 64 B/9, in Naykownapiskaw Lake. Named in 1995 after H16233 Pte Harold Hayes of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 13 December 1943 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

Heppell Creek: Map ref: 54 L/8, which flows east into the Churchill River. Named in 1948 after Lt. John R. Heppell of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 32. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of John R.M. and Eleanor M. Heppell of Calgary, AB and survived by his wife Lillian Heppell of Calgary, AB.

Hickey Lake: Map ref: 62 N/11, northeast of Roblin. Named in 1978 after L/Sgt Walter H. Hickey of Winnipeg, MB. Killed by a sniper's bullet on 31 August 1944 at the age of 31. Commemorated at Montecchio War Cemetery. Son of George E. and Esther L. Hickey of Winnipeg, MB.

Hill Bay: Map ref: 64 K/5, on the southwest side of Whiskey Jack Lake. Named in 1989 after Cpl Harold J.E. Hill of Macgregor, MB. Killed on 26 July 1943 at the age of 26. Commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Walter and Katherine Hill.

Hudson Point: Map ref: 54 D/7, on Stephens Lake. Named in 1995 after H204125 Pte Mitchell Hudson of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 22 April 1945 and commemorated at the Holten Canadian War Cemetery.

Ilasevich Lake: Map ref: 63 K/16, northwest of Wekusko Lake. Named in 1973 after H17855 Cpl Harry Ilasevich of Sadlow, MB. Killed on 12 April 1945 at the age of 21. Commemorated at the Holten Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Michael and Lena Ilasevich of Sadlow, MB.

Johns Bay: Map ref: 52 M/11, in Butterfly Lake. Named in 1995 after H16364 Pte Roy E. Johns of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 20 December 1943 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Aaron D. and Mary J. Johns and survived by his wife Vera Johns of Windsor, ON.

Johnson Rapids: Map ref: 64 F/3, in the Keewatin River. Named in 1994 after H1345 Pte John Henry Johnson of East Kildonan. Joined the army on 13 January 1943 and transferred to the PPCLI in England. He transferred to the Canadian Scottish Regiment and proceeded to France. Killed on 30 July 1944 at the age of 21. Commemorated at Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Joseph H. and Ellen Johnson of East Kildonan, MB.

Johnson Esker: Map ref: 53 M/8, northwest of Swampy Lake. Named in 1995 after M31507 Pte William Johnson of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 23 July 1943 and commemorated at the Agira Canadian War Cemetery.

West Johnston Lake: Map ref: 64 O/9, northwest of Nejanilini Lake. Named after H1098 Lance Cpl Vernon A. Johnston of Pine Creek, MB. Originally PPCLI, transferred to the Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada. Killed on 13 September 1944 at the age of 21. Commemorated at the Calais Canadian War Cemetery. He was survived by his stepfather and mother Ella Johnston of Pine Creek, MB. Son of Pte Robert Johnston, 27 Battalion CEF, killed on 6 November 1917.

Jones Island: Map ref: 64 G/11, in Denison Lake. Named in 1994 after H100801 Rifleman Basil E. Jones of Winnipeg, MB. He enlisted in the PPCLI and after going overseas in August 1943 was transferred to the Regina Rifle Regiment. Killed on 18 July 1944 at the age of 20. Commemorated at Beny-sur-Mer Canadian War Cemetery. Son of George W. and Bertha Jones of Winnipeg, MB.

Joyal Lake: Map ref: 63 I/7, north of Molson Lake. Named in 1973 after H17136 Pte Joseph A.J. Joyal of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 14 December 1943 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

Kennard Lake: Map ref: 74 O/8, in northern Saskatchewan. Named after H16964 Pte John E. Kennard. Killed on 12 December 1943 at the age of 29. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of John and Elizabeth Kennard of Cupar, SK.

Kilborn Lake: Map ref: 52 E/11, southeast of Brereton Lake. Named in 1974 after H17047 Sgt Allison Frank Kilborn of Virden, MB. He was stationed at Camp Shilo as an instructor during the war. He was on his way overseas when he died of a heart attack in Debert, NS, on 11 March 1945 at the age of 36. Commemorated at Virden Cemetery, MB. He was survived by his wife Marion L. Kilborn of Virden, MB and their five children.

Klassen Lake: Map ref: 64 N/3, southwest of Nueltin Lake. Named in 1972 after H17884 Pte Dietrich Victor Klassen of Myrtle, MB. He was wounded in action at Leonforte and died of his wounds two days later on 23 July 1943 at the age of 20. Commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. Son of George and Anna Klassen of Rivers, MB.

Kolcun Lake: Map ref: 64 C/4, west of Russell Lake. Named in 1981 after H103967 Pte Peter Kolcun of Gibert Plains, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 23. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Eldest son of Nick and Cassie Kolcun of Gilbert Plains, MB.

Krysowaty Lake: Map ref: 64 I/3, west of North Knife Lake. Named in 1974 after H17829 Pte Stephen Krysowaty of Shoal Lake, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 29. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Stephen and Sofia Krysowaty and was survived by his wife Mary M. Krysowaty of Shoal Lake, MB.

La Croix Lake: Map ref: 64 C/9, southwest of Highrock Lake. Named in 1973 after H17245 Sgt George Richard La Croix of Winnipeg, MB. He enlisted in the PPCLI in Winnipeg and transferred to the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion on 24 September 1942 and went overseas on 30 July 1943. Killed on 6 June 1944 at the age of 26. Commemorated at St Vaast-en-Auge Churchyard, Calvados, France. He was survived by his wife Elva O. La Croix of Sturgeon Valley, SK and their two children.

Henry Lavallee Lake: Map ref: 63 P/6, north of Landing Lake. Named in 1998 after SH493 Pte Henry J. Lavallee of Portage la Prairie, MB. Killed on 19 July 1953 and commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Leguee Lake: Map ref: 63 I/16, northeast of Cross Lake. Named in 1973 after H16567 Pte Frederick J. Leguee of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 1 January 1944 at the age of 25. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of George A. and Bernadette Leguee of Winnipeg, MB.

Letkeman Lake: Map ref: 53 E/16, east of Krolman Lake. Named in 1998 after H800276 Lance Cpl Theodore N. Letkeman of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 7 March 1951 at the age of 24. Commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Lewis Island: Map ref: 62 P/1, in Lake Winnipeg. Named in 1980 after H103190 Pte Dean E. Lewis of Medora, MB. Killed on 13 December 1943 during the crossing of the Moro River at the age of 21. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Evan and Catherine Lewis of Medora, MB.

Longney Lake: Map ref: 64 K/7, northeast of Reindeer Lake. Named in 1972 after H103547 Pte Leonard V. Longney of Thornhill, MB. He was wounded in action and lay on the battle field for eight hours. When finally evacuated, there were maggots in his wounds and gangrene had set in. He had lost a lot of blood and was unconscious. He was given blood transfusions and underwent surgery. He did not respond to treatment for the first five days and then a slight response was noted. He died of his wounds 21 days later on 13 June 1944 at the age of 21. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of William H. and Jane M. Longney of Thornhill, MB.

Lower Lake: Map ref: 64 P/9, east of Nejanilini Lake. Named in 1974 after H17889 Pte Douglas A.

Lower of Lake Francis, MB. Enlisted in the PPCLI and transferred to the Lake Superior Regiment. Killed on 1 March 1945 at the age of 24. Commemorated at the Groesbeek Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Richard H. and Rosie Lower of Lake Francis, MB. His brother Cpl George E. Lower of the Regina Rifle Regiment was killed in action on 9 June 1944.

Lysay Lake: Map ref: 62 P/15, west of Family Lake. Named in 1978 after H101695 Pte John Lysay of Winnipeg, MB. Died while on active service on 15 March 1943 at the age of 20. Commemorated at the Yorkton Cemetery, SK. He was survived by his mother Nellie Lysay of North Battleford, SK.

MacNeil Lake: Map ref: 64 K/12, northeast of Reindeer Lake. Named in 1972 after Lt. William J. MacNeil of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 20 September 1944 and commemorated at Coriano Ridge Cemetery.

Madigan Lake: Map ref: 64 O/3, east of Blackfish Lake. Named in 1995 after H87682 Pte Charles L. Madigan. Killed on 11 December 1943 at the age of 23. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

Manness Lake: Map ref: 62 P/16, west of Family Lake. Named in 1973 after H16783 Cpl Leslie C. Manness of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 and commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery.

Maynard Island: Map ref: 53 E/15, in Island Lake. Named in 1995 after H17726 Pte Percy Maynard of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 33. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Henry and Cecilia Maynard and survived by his wife Irene T. Maynard of Edmonton, AB.

McAuley Bay: Map ref: 63 P/8, in Goulet Lake. Named in 1995 after H17352 Pte Raymond H. McAuley of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 and commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery.

McFee Bay: Map ref: 63 K/12, in Athapapuskow Lake. Named in 1984 after H16824 Pte Samuel McFee. Killed on 22 July 1943 and commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery.

McIvor Island: Map ref: 53 M/4, in Bear Lake. Named in 1989 after H17182 Pte William McIvor of Gladstone, MB. Killed on 22 February 1944 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

McKay Hill: Map ref: 64 O/4, southwest of Blackfish Lake. Named in 1995 after H16895 Lance Cpl Eugene J. McKay of Portage la Prairie, MB. Killed on 22 July 1943 at the age of 22. Commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Fred McKay of Portage la Prairie, MB.

McLean Peninsula: Map ref: 64 N/9, on Turner Lake. Named in 1995 after H10373 Pte Paul McLean of Newdale, MB. Killed on 25 May 1944 at the age of 27. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Peter and Annie McLean of Newdale, MB.

McPhail Island: Map ref: 53 E/16, on Island Lake. Named in 1998 after H800030 Pte Walter C. McPhail of Selkirk, MB. Killed on 19 March 1951 and commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea. He was survived by his wife Lovina McPhail of Selkirk, MB and their son.

Mencini Lake: Map ref: 64 K/10, east of Lac Brochet. Named in 1972 after H16705 Pte Louis D. Mencini of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 20 September 1944 at the age of 31. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Dominico and Josephine Mencini.

Menzoski Lake: Map ref: 64 I/16, northeast of North Knife Lake. Named in 1974 after H17228 Pte Mack Menzoski. Died while on active service on 9 February 1942 and commemorated at Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England. Son of Andrew and Annie Menzoski.

Milliken Lake: Map ref: 63 K/12, south of Embury Lake. Named in 1982 after H8531 Pte John Milliken of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 22 September 1944 and commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of John and Agnes Milliken of Winnipeg, MB.

Milne Bay: Map ref: 64 J/13, in Nicklin Lake. Named in 1995 after H16037 Lance Cpl Arthur L. Milne of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 11 December 1943 at the age of 33. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of George and Agnes Milne of Winnipeg, MB.

Muir Bay: Map ref: 64 J/12, in Descoteaux Lake. Named in 1995 after H17400 Pte John R. Muir of Transcona, MB. Killed on 14 December 1943 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

Murray Esker: Map ref: 64 P/6, northeast of MacLeod Lake. Named in 1995 after H70151 Pte Cyril Murray of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 7 December 1943 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

Nelson Peninsula: Map ref: 64 H/2, on Holmes Lake. Named in 1995 after H17786 Pte Leslie W. Nelson of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 17 January 1944 at the age of 22. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Joshua and Edith Nelson of Winnipeg, MB and survived by his wife Emily Nelson of Winnipeg, MB.

Newman Point: Map ref: 64 P/16, in Thuytowayazay Lake. Named in 1995 after H16286 Pte Reginald W. Newman of St James, MB. Died while on active service on 24 April 1943 at the age of 21. Commemorated at Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England. Son of Ross and Agnes Newman and was survived by his wife Phyllis Newman of Winnipeg, MB.

Normand Island: Map ref: 53 E/16, in Island Lake. Named in 1998 after SH62112 Pte Emile Normand of St Norbert, MB. Killed on 5 November 1951 and commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Oddy Lake: Map ref: 64 N/4, north of Lac Brochet. Named in 1972 after H17792 Pte Herbert Oddy of Thornhill, MB. Killed on 27 July 1943 at the age of 21. Commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. Only child of Jane Oddy of Thornhill, MB.

Parmeter Lake: Map ref: 64 J/2, southwest of Tadoule Lake. Named in 1975 after Lance Cpl Benjamin H. Parmeter of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 20 February 1944 at the age of 26. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Wally and Helen I. Parmeter of Pasaden, CA and survived by his wife Evelyn Parmeter.

Pasowysty Lake: Map ref: 64 O/4, northeast of Egenolf Lake. Named in 1975 after H101254 Pte Peter Pasowysty of Neepawa, MB. Killed on 30 September 1944 and commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Mr. and Mrs. William Pasowysty of Eden, MB.

Patch Lake: Map ref: 53 N/6, northeast of Knee Lake. Named in 1972 after H70254 Cpl Walter H. Patch of Winnipeg, MB. Died while on active service on 11 June 1943 at the age of 49. Commemorated at Brookside Cemetery in Winnipeg, MB. He was survived by his sister Ethel Patch of St Helier, Channel Islands, United Kingdom.

Paulson Lake: Map ref: 64 K/10, east of Lac Brochet. Named in 1961 after H9005 Pte Edwin O. Paulson of Bowsman River, MB. Killed on 17 September 1944 at the age of 21. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Peter C. and Hannah N. Paulson of Bowsman River, MB.

Blaine Pearson Lake: Map ref: 53 K/12, north of Sharpe Lake. Named in 1998 after H800232 Pte Royal Blaine Pearson of Birnie, MB. Killed on 7 March 1951 and commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Pearson Point: Map ref: 64 P/9, on Gagnon Lake. Named in 1995 after H17051 Lance Cpl Thomas Pearson of Dauphin, MB. Killed on 22 July 1943 and commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery.

Polnuk Lake: Map ref: 53 K/10, south of Margaret Lake. Named in 1998 after H800003 Pte Adam E.

Polnuk of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 31 May 1951 and is commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Prior Lake: Map ref: 63 I/16, east of Cross Lake. Named in 1973 after H16780 Sgt George T. Prior of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 14 December 1943 at the age of 29. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. He was survived by his wife Marjorie G.M. Prior of Hampden Park, Sussex, England.

Purvis Lake: Map ref: 64 H/5, east of Wood Lake. Named in 1995 after H18598 Pte Jack W. Purvis of St James, MB. Killed on 11 April 1945 at the age of 19. Commemorated at the Holten Canadian War Cemetery. He was survived by his mother Louise C. Purvis of St James, MB.

Rathert Lake: Map ref: 64 I/2, east of North Knife Lake. Named in 1974 after H103768 Cpl Hebert D. Rathert of Starbuck, MB. Killed on 4 March 1945 when a truck overturned, pinning him underneath it 15 miles northeast of Faligno, Italy at the age of 23. Commemorated at Assisi War Cemetery. Son of Henry and Louise Rathert of Starbuck, MB.

Ray Point: Map ref: 64 N/11, on Kasmere Lake. Named in 1995 after H16498 Pte Kenneth R. Ray of St James, MB. Killed on 11 September 1944 at the age of 25. Commemorated at Ancona War Cemetery. Son of Tom and Eva P. Ray of St James, MB. He was survived by his wife Lillian Ray and their son.

Renaud Lake: Map ref: 64 O/10, west of Nejanilini Lake. Named in 1975 after H17728 Pte Halfdan S.E. Renaud of Riverton, MB. Killed on 15 December 1943 at the age of 24. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Emile J. and Gudland J. Renaud of Riverton, MB.

Richardson Peninsula: Map ref: 64 N/11, on Kasmere Lake. Named in 1995 after H103407 Pte John W. Richardson of Dauphin, MB. Enlisted in the PPCLI, training in Winnipeg and Shilo. Went overseas in June 1943 and transferred to the Calgary Highlanders. Killed on 25 July 1944 at the age of 30. Commemorated at Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery. Second eldest son of Harold G. and Myrtle Richardson of Myrtle, MB.

Arnold Robinson Lake: Map ref: 53 M/3, west of Whitemud Lake. Named in 1995 after P22332 Cpl James Arnold Robinson of Winnipeg, MB. Died while on active service, 15 December 1941 and is commemorated at Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England. Son of Roderick J. and Florence L. Robinson of Portage la Prairie, MB.

Rothery Lake: Map ref: 53 K/11, southeast of Edmund Lake. Named in 1996 after H16952 Pte Arthur Rothery of Winnipeg, MB. Died while on active service on 1 September 1944 at the age of 32. Commemorated at Brookside Cemetery, Winnipeg, MB. Son of James and Susanna Rothery of St James, MB.

Rudko Lake: Map ref: 64 O/4, east of Egenolf Lake. Named in 1975 after H16124 Pte Henry Rudko of Dauphin, MB. Killed on 30 January 1944 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery.

Rychlicki Lake: Map ref: 64 J/7, southwest of Tadoule Lake. Named in 1975 after H9515 Pte Charles Rychlicki of Silver, MB. Enlisted in the PPCLI and transferred to the South Saskatchewan Regiment. Killed on 20 July 1944 at the age of 20. Commemorated at Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Peter and Teenie Rychlicki of Silver, MB.

Saunders Lake: Map ref: 64 F/3, north of Vandekerckhove Lake. Named in 1994 after H17213 Cpl John H. Saunders of Glenella, MB. Killed on 27 August 1944 at the age of 22. Commemorated at Montecchio War Cemetery.

Saunders Bay: Map ref: 63 I/16, in Morin Lake. Named in 1995 after H17763 Pte William G. Saunders of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 1 December 1943 at the age of 20. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of George and Alexandria Saunders of St James, MB.

Scholey Island: Map ref: 52 L/3, in Crowduck Lake. Named in 1973 after P22256 Pte John R. Scholey of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 22 July 1943 at the age of 25. Commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. Son of William A. and Clarice M. Scholey of Winnipeg, MB.

Scott Point: Map ref: 64 G/6, on Mackerracher Lake. Named in 1994 after H17594 Cpl David Herbert Scott of Wasagaming, MB. Joined the PPCLI in Dauphin, MB and transferred to the Regina Rifle Regiment. Killed on 14 October 1944 at the age of 32. Commemorated at the Adegem Canadian War Cemetery, Belgium. Son of Thomas and Mable M. Scott and was survived by his wife Grace Winnifred Scott of Wasagaming, MB.

Seman River: Map ref: 64 O/12, which flows northeast into Nueltin Lake. Named in 1972 after H1704 Pte Metro Seman of Brooklands, MB. Killed on 20 September 1944 and commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Fred and Katie Seman of Brooklands, MB.

Shanas Lake: Map ref: 64 I/15, northeast of North Knife Lake. Named in 1978 after H16497 Pte Ben Z. Shanas of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 7 December 1943 and commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Isaac J. and Dorothy Shanas of Winnipeg, MB.

Sharp Peninsula: Map ref: 64 C/7, on Granville Lake. Named in 1995 after H9208 Pte Harvey R. Sharp of Portage la Prairie, MB. Killed on 30 May 1944 at the age of 21. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Richard and Mary J. Sharp of Portage la Prairie, MB.

Shea Lake: Map ref: 64 K/10, east of Lac Brochet. Named in 1972 after P22192 Lt. Cecil N. Shea of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 28. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Nelson T. and Leita G. Shea of Deseronto, ON.

Sherb Lake: Map ref: 52 E/14, northeast of Brereton Lake. Named in 1974 after H18204 Pte Charles Sherb of Brandon, MB. Killed on 20 September 1944 at the age of 20. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Joseph F. and Lena Sherb of Brandon, MB.

Siha Lake: Map ref: 53 K/5, southeast of Weber Lake. Named in 1998 after H800150 Pte Tony Siha of Portage La Prairie, MB. Killed on 20 March 1951 and commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Sinclair Peninsula: Map ref: 63 I/16, on Kapechekamasic Lake. Named in 1995 after H16214 Pte Donald Sinclair of Souris, MB. Killed on 22 July 1943 and commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery.

Skinner Island: Map ref: 64 H/14, in Knifehead Lake. Named in 1995 after H17059 Lance Cpl Allan R. Skinner of Dauphin, MB. Killed on 20 May 1944 and commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. He was survived by his wife Joan I. Skinner of Reading, Berkshire, England.

Slemmons Bay: Map ref: 64 H/15, in Etawney Lake. Named in 1986 after H63685 Pte Morton Slemmons of Grandview, MB. Killed on 25 May 1944 at the age of 25. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of William and Della Slemmons of Grandview, MB.

Sloan Lake: Map ref: 64 I/13, north of Shethanei Lake. Named in 1974 after H16207 Pte Dempsey Sloan of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 14 December 1943 at the age of 20. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Allan and Agnes Sloan of Winnipeg, MB.

Slyzuk Lake: Map ref: 64 O/5, northeast of Egenolf Lake. Named in 1975 after H204139 Pte John Slyzuk of Ashville, MB. Killed on 11 April 1945 at the age of 30. Commemorated at the Holten Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Nicholas and Pearl Slyzuk of Ashville, MB.

Glen Small Lake: Map ref: 53 L/6, east of Joint Lake. Named in 1998 after SH4778 Pte Glen C. Small of Dauphin, MB. Killed on 14 July 1953 at the age of 18. Commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea. Son of Milford G. and Lilian Small.

Smallpiece Lake: Map ref: 63 P/4, in Sipiwesk Lake. Named in 1995 after H16108 Pte Ernest V. Smallpiece of Portage La Prairie, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 23. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of Arthur and Ellen Smallpiece and was survived by his wife Dorothy Smallpiece of Winnipeg, MB.

Spall Lake: Map ref: 63 P/9, north of Cauchon Lake. Named in 2001 after 475212 Sgt Robert Spall, VC of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 13 August 1918 at the age of 28. Commemorated at the Vimy Memorial. Son of Charles and Maria Spall of Montreal, Quebec.

Stanley Rapids: Map ref: 53 K/10, in the Stull River. Named in 1998 after SM9538 Pte Donald L. Stanley of Portage La Prairie, MB. Killed on 21 June 1952 and commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Steele Island: Map ref: 64 O/6, in Calder Lake. Named in 1995 after H16268 Pte James H. Steele of Flin Flon, MB. Killed on 17 May 1944 and commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery.

Stefanson Lake: Map ref: 64 O/12, south of Nueltin Lake. Named in 1975 after H9155 Pte Gisli S. Stefanson of Selkirk, MB. Killed on 23 February 1945 of wounds received that same day, at the age of 34. Commemorated at Ravenna War Cemetery. Son of Stefan G. and Rannveig Stefanson of Selkirk, MB.

Steinke Lake: Map ref: 64 F/6, west of Wells Lake. Named in 1994 after H8912 Pte Willian Steinke of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 21 December 1944 at the age of 29. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of August and Matilda Steinke and was survived by his wife Iris L.W. Steinke of Banff, AB.

Stephenson Lake: Map ref: 64 G/4, northeast of Grandmother Lake. Named in 1994 after H16313 Lance Cpl Frederick G. Stephenson of Souris, MB. Killed on 20 September 1944 by a sniper, at the age of 22. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Frederick G. and Georgina D. Stephenson of Souris, MB.

Talbot Island: Map ref: 63 I/2, in Molson Lake. Named in 1995 after H17133 Pte John Talbot of St James, MB. Killed on 16 October 1943 at the age of 21. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of John and Alice A. Talbot of St James, MB. His twin brother also served in the PPCLI during WW II.

Tarnausky Lake: Map ref: 64 J/6, southwest of Tadoule Lake. Named in 1975 after H10044 Pte John J. Tarnausky of Treherne, MB. Killed on 16 December 1944 and commemorated at Ravenna War Cemetery.

Thompson Peninsula: Map ref: 64 I/3, on North Knife Lake. Named in 1989 after H17166 Lance Cpl Lavern R. Thompson of MacGregor, MB. Killed on 21 December 1944 at the age of 24. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Bertram R. and Mabel I. Thompson of Winnipegosis, MB.

Thorne Lake: Map ref: 64 I/6, northwest of North Knife Lake. Named in 1974 after H18007 Pte Clifford Thorne of Elphinstone, MB. Killed on 20 September 1944 and commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery.

Tod Point: Map ref: 64 K/16, on Burnie Lake. Named in 1995 after H17112 Pte James A. Tod of Sturgeon Creek, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 30. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of David S. and Eva Tod and the husband of Anne E. Tod of Winnipeg, MB.

Toland Lake: Map ref: 64 H/6, north of Northern Indian Lake. Named in 1995 after H16049 Cpl Keith L. Toland of Ft Garry, MB. Died while on active service on 5 December 1941 at the age of 20. Commemorated at Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England. Son of Thomas J. and Edna A. Toland of Ft Garry, MB and survived by his wife Ruby Doreen Toland.

Trenter Lake: Map ref: 53 K/6, northeast of Sharpe Lake. Named in 1998 after SH23473 WO Second Class George S. Trenter of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 11 October 1951 and commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Unrow Lake: Map ref: 64 J/4, north of Big Sand Lake. Named in 1975 after H41036 Pte Edward N. Unrow of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 and commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery.

Vermette Point: Map ref: 63 N/3, on Kississing Lake. Named in 1972 after H17742 Pte Rene Vermette of St Germain, MB. Killed on 31 August 1943 at the age of 24. Commemorated at Agira Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Joachim and Mari Vermette of St Germain, MB.

Grorge Watson Peninsula: Map ref: 53 M/14, on Hubley Lake. Named in 1995 after H103598 Pte George R. Watson of Balmoral, MB. Killed on 23 May 1944 at the age of 21. Commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery. Son of George A. and Isabell G. Watson of Balmoral, MB.

Weidenhamer Lake: Map ref: 64 K/10, east of Lac Brochet. Named in 1972 after H1406 Lance Cpl Hubert C. Weidenhamer of Dand, MB. Killed on 23 November 1944 at the age of 21. Commemorated at Ancona War Cemetery. He was the only son of Roy and Nellie Weidenhamer of Dand, MB.

Whittaker Island: Map ref: 64 I/14, in the Seal River. Named in 1995 after H16191 Cpl Charles R. Whittaker of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 18 December 1943 at the age of 21. Commemorated at the Moro River Canadian War Cemetery. Son of Harry and Lillian M. Whittaker and was survived by his wife Helena Whittaker of St Paul, Minnesota.

Wiebe Island: Map ref: 64 G/6, in McPherson Lake. Named in 1986 after H3582 Pte Peter D. Wiebe of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 20 December 1944 at the age of 31. Commemorated at Ravenna War Cemetery. Son of Mr. and Mrs. John Wiebe and survived by his wife Irene Wiebe of St Boniface and their daughter Louise of St Boniface, MB.

Wotton Bay: Map ref: 53 L/11, in Munro Lake. Named in 1998 after H800136 Pte Thomas B. Wotton of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 25 April 1951 at the Battle of Kapyong, at the age of 21. Commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea. He was the youngest son of Reverend and Mrs. J.F. Wotton of Cardale, MB.

James Wright Lake: Map ref: 64 A/15, northeast of Christie Lake. Named in 1995 after H16782 Sgt James D. Wright of Greenway, MB. Killed on 15 June 1945 and commemorated at the Holten Canadian War Cemetery.

John Wright Lake: Map ref: 64 G/5, west of Hurst Lake. Named in 1996 after H16932 Pte John T. Wright of Winnipeg, MB. Died while on active service on 25 February 1942 at the age of 21. Commemorated at Brookside Cemetery, Winnipeg, MB. Son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wright of Winnipeg, MB.

Wylie Island: Map ref: 53 E/15, in Island Lake. Named in 1998 after K800117 Pte Lloyd K. Wylie of Winnipeg, MB. Killed on 7 March 1951 and is commemorated at the United Nations Cemetery, Pusan, South Korea.

Wynne Lake: Map ref: 64 N/2, northeast of Lac Brochet, MB. Named in 1972 after H17422 Lance Cpl Charles Wynne of Ft Garry, MB. Killed on 20 September 1944 at the age of 25. Commemorated at Coriano Ridge War Cemetery. Son of Charles and Martha Wynne and was survived by his wife Dorothy I. Wynne of Ft Garry, MB and their two sons.

Zeglinski Lake: Map ref: 64 P/9, north of Caribou Lake. Named in 1974 after H102269 Pte Philip Zeglinski of Vidir, MB. Killed on 27 May 1944 and commemorated at the Cassino War Cemetery.

Old Stone Church - Selkirk, MB

In the summer of 1974, the Pioneer Platoon of Second Battalion assisted in the reconstruction and renovation of Saint Peter's Old Stone Church, just east of Selkirk. The Church is now considered a historical site which dates back to 1836.

During the restoration it was discovered that three members of the Regiment who had served during WW II were buried in the churchyard. Upon the completion of the project a Second Battalion pennant, Regimental plaques and scroll were presented to the church congregation.

Almonte War Memorial - Almonte, ON

Alex Rosamond was president of the Almonte knitting mill and the Almonte woollen mill and was over 40 when he was killed in action. Due to his age and the fact that his mills were engaged in making cloth for army uniforms, he was not permitted to join the Canadian Army. However he was determined to enlist and took his family to England while he tried to join the British Army. He enlisted as a private in a Scottish Regiment and served for a while in this capacity. He was staying at Claridges in London where he met his old friend Hamilton Gault who offered him a commission in the PPCLI. Alex accepted and joined the Regiment on 4 February 1916. He was killed in the attack on the sugar factory on 15 September 1916 at Flers-Courcelette.

After the First World War, Mrs. Mary E. Rosamond, the widow of Lt Alex G. Rosamond who joined the Regiment on 04 February 1916 and was killed at Flers-Courcelette on 15 September 1916, commissioned Dr. R. Tait MacKenzie to design a sculpture commemorating the War. The sculpture was modelled on photographs of Alex Rosamond and named "The Volunteer".

Mrs. Rosamond bequeathed an endowment of $1,000 to the Town of Almonte, to be used for the upkeep of the memorial.

Lansdowne Park - Ottawa, ON

The Ottawa Branch, PPCLI Association, sponsored the erection of a Memorial in Lansdowne Park, Ottawa, ON, to mark the birthplace of the Regiment.

It was unveiled on 6 October 1974 by R.D. Whitmore, Regimental Number 1005, and an Original of the Regiment. It is of Laurentian Pink Marble, approximately four feet high by two feet square with the top being a bird-bath. The memorial bears the inscription:

A proud Regiment was born here in August 1914, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. Un fier regiment fut forme ici en Aout 1914.

Engraved on the right side is the present day cap badge, and on the left is the "Original" or "Marquerite" cap badge.

Sisters of the Precious Blood Covent - Ottawa, ON

In the Chapel used by the Sisters of the Precious Blood is a plaque bearing the inscription: This tablet has been placed in this Chapel in memory of the Officers and Men of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry by Colonel Hamilton Gault, DSO, Colonel Agar Adamson, DSO, Mrs FW Carling, Mrs AF Sladen, Mrs EL Newcombe, Mrs Spruyt De Bay, Lady Buller 1926.

St Bartholomew's Church - Ottawa, ON

A memorial plaque to our first Colonel-in-Chief, Lady Patricia Ramsay, VA, CI, CD, was unveiled in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church in Ottawa by the present Colonel-in-Chief, the Countess Mountbatten of Burma. The plaque hangs in a very prominent part of the church just to the right of the lectern in the sanctuary and is inscribed as follows:

To the memory of The Lady Patricia Ramsay, VA, CI, CD late Colonel-in-Chief Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry who as H.R.H the Princess Patricia of Connaught worshipped here while resident at Government House 1911-1916.

The East Window of the Church was presented by H.R.H. The Duke of Connaught in memory of the members of his staff who died during the First World War, including Lt Col F.D. Farquhar, DSO, Capt Herbert Buller, DSO, and Capt Newton, all from the PPCLI. Those commemorated are recorded on a brass plaque on the north wall of the sanctuary. The window was unveiled on Sunday 9 November 1919, by H.R.H the Prince of Wales. The Duke of Devonshire, Governor General at that time, decided that the seat immediately behind the Vice-Regal pews should be kept for members of PPCLI. A Regimental plaque was presented to the Church in November 1980 and is located on the "Patricia Pew", and in addition an inscribed photograph of LCol Farquhar and Capt Buller was presented and is displayed on the wall by the entrance to the Church from the parish hall.

St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church is an Anglican Church in Ottawa, Canada. The parish was founded in 1866 and the building completed in 1868. Its architect is uncertain but believed to have been Thomas Seaton Scott who designed a number of other prominent structures in Ottawa. The Church is located at 125 MacKay Street in the New Edinburgh neighborhood, across the street from Rideau Hall, the official residence of the Governor General. A vice-regal pew is reserved for the Governor General and is used when he or she is an Anglican. The most recent Governor General to have used the pew regularly was Adrienne Clarkson.

Church of St. John the Evangelist (Elgin at Somerset) - Ottawa, ON

In the "Warrior's Chapel" is displayed a plaque bearing the Regimental badge.

Hamilton Gault Statue - Ottawa, ON

1882-1958 Founder, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI.)

Canada's quick response to World War One was due in part to the wealthy and distinguished Montreal businessman and Captain of the Royal Highlanders of Canada, Hamilton Gault. As a veteran of the South African war, Gault remained personally involved with the Canadian political responsibility to Britain as part of the Empire. As the climate of war overshadowed the international community in early August 1914, Hamilton Gault ventured by train to Ottawa with a proposal. He would personally raise and equip a mounted unit of Canadians for the Imperial authorities. The proposal was set in front of Colonel Sam Hughes, the Canadian Minister of Militia and Defence. Colonel Hughes was attracted to the offer, but thought that an Infantry unit, as opposed to cavalry, would be more useful to Britain.

LCol Farquhar approached the Duke of Connaught for permission to name the Regiment after his daughter, Her Royal Highness, Princess Patricia of Connaught. Princess Patricia had already become a much admired figure in Canada because of her appreciation of the country's vast wilderness and people. The request was made to the Princess, who was delighted. On August 6th, 1914, the Canadian Government provisionally accepted Hamilton Gault's offer.

Authority for the Regiment was granted on 10 August 1914, through a charter embodied in a report of the Committee of the Privy Council of Canada, to raise and equip an Infantry battalion. As detailed in the charter, Hamilton Gault would contribute $100,000 to finance and equip the battalion with the remainder of expenditures being covered by the Department of Militia and Defense.

McGill University - Montreal, QC

A University Companies Memorial Plaque was unveiled on 8 May 1949.

Mount St Hilaire - Montreal, QC

The Campbells, who lost a large part of their income and became short of money decided to sell the mountain and in 1913, the mountain passed into the hands of a British officer, Brigadier Andrew Hamilton Gault. The mills and the sugar bushes had disappeared and the mountain village hummed along less loudly. This suited Brigadier Gault, who loved and respected the mountain in its original state.

In 1947, Brigadier Hamilton Gault decided to build on the shore of Lac Hertel, initially a modest cottage, but eventually a veritable mansion. He encouraged people to fish in his lake, to walk on the former sugar bush roads, to go horseback riding and even to go downhill skiing. In 1950, following the trends of the time, he permitted the creation of a downhill ski club. Only hunting and cutting wood were forbidden. Bridadier Gault did not even allow his caretaker to trap the raccoons that were eating from his garbage pails. In 1957, he started to build his "folly", a large stone house on the shore of the lake. Once it was finished, he lived there a mere three weeks before he died on 28 November 1958. The house, named the "Gault Hourse", still exists today and is used as a reception hall. In keeping with Brigadier Gault's wishes, McGill University prepared a Master Plan to set a clear course for the management of Mont St Hilaire. This plan focuses on the preservation of the mountain's ecosystem, the use of the mountain for academic research and teaching programs, and the development of a nature interpretation program to emphasize the special character of the mountain and to foster public enjoyment of its amenities. Mount St Hilaire and the surrounding park were donated to McGill University by the Founder of the Regiment. There is a memorial cairn and plaque dedicated to the Founder of the Regiment. With this land McGill University has created the Gault Nature Reserve; 1,000 hectares of natural primeval forests of the St. Lawrence Valley.

Lake Patricia - South Hampton Island, NWT

Lake Patricia was dedicated by one of the New Viking serials in 1972

Mount Hamilton Gault - District of Mackenzie, NWT

The following extract of a message dated 13 December 1965, from Canadian Forces Headquarters, culminated two of the most extensive expeditions undertaken by the Regiment; in both cases by men of the Second Battalion: Approval granted by the Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys to name this site Mount Hamilton Gault. Mount Hamilton Gault is located at 61° 42' – 126° 34' between the Flat and South Nahanni Rivers, District of MacKenzie..

In the early part of 1963, discussions commenced to name a mountain range or mountain after the Founder of the Regiment in commemoration of the Jubilee of the Regiment. The first expedition, led by Captain F.L. Berry, consisted of five men in a 27-foot river boat, powered by a 20hp motor and christened the "Admiral Ramsay". They set out from Fort Nelson on 30 August 1963 and returned approximately on 26 September.

The second expedition, Nahanni II, set out from Fort Nelson, on 3 August 1964, with two river boats, the 27-foot "Admiral Ramsay" from the first expedition, each with 35hp motors and two small punts. Commanded by Capt P.A. Maione, the party consisted of Cpl R.R. Lewis, LCpl's J. Dalton, F.J. Huard, R.A.J. Peskett and Pte W.E. Brown, with Sigfried Bucher as cameraman.

At 1800 hours on 20 August 1964, the summit of the mountain was reached, a cairn erected and capsule deposited therein. The capsule contained a scroll which read:

Mount Hamilton Gault, on the twentieth day of August, nineteen hundred and sixty-four, a party from Second Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, under command of Capt Peter Maione, scaled this mountain, erected the cairn and deposited this canister there-in.

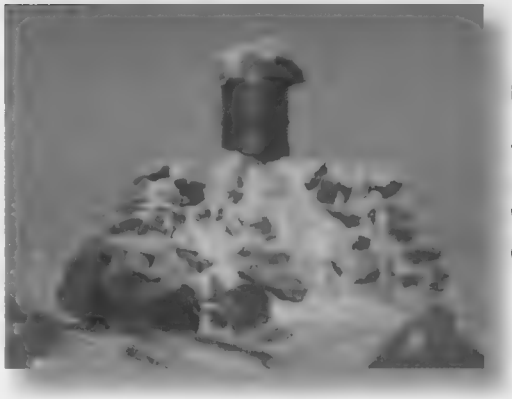
This mountain has been officially named "Mount Hamilton Gault", in commemoration of the Jubilee of the Regiment and serves to perpetuate the name of our Founder and former Colonel of the Regiment, Brigadier A. Hamilton Gault DSO, ED, CD. This canister contains a Regimental Camp Flag, Regimental Cap Badge and a Regimental Manual.

There are no details available on Nahanni III. Though Nahanni IV took place from 12-28 July 1974 and consisted of twelve all ranks: Capt D.H. Martin, Capt P. Goldie, WO G.H. Smiley, MCpl M.B. McCarthy, Cpl G.S. Jones, Pte M.R. Rattray, MCpl R.P. Turpin, Pte A.C. Clark and Pte G.J. Burma.

The memorial was inspected and found to be in good repair and undisturbed by the elements. A nominal roll of all participants of the expedition was placed among the boulders at the very top of Mount Hamilton Gault.

Patricia Cairn - King William Island, NWT

In 1968 an expedition from 1 PPCLI dedicated the Patricia Cairn on King William Island, Cape Felix 69° 54' North, Longitude 97° 59' West NWT.



Patricia Carin - Eureka, Ellesmere Island

This Carin is located about 50km to the north of Eureka, N80° 07', W 085° 30'. It is an Environment Canada Weather Station and an Air Force building, in about the centre of Ellesmere Island.

Inukshuk - Afghanistan

Task Force Afghanistan Memorial - Kandahar, Afghanistan

There is a Task Force Afghanistan memorial located at the TFA HQ in KAF.

Frezenberg Memorial – Belgium

The site obtained for the Frezenberg Memorial lies as close as circumstances will permit to the position of the front line trenches occupied by the Regiment on 8 May 1915. The Memorial is situated five kilometres east of Ypres, Belgium and one kilometre north of Ypres-Menin road and approximately 500 meters north east of Bellewaerde Lake. This piece of ground was donated by Mr Jules Van Ackerc of Wevelgem, Belgium, to the Belgian State and is to be perpetually in the care and trust of the

Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

Description of the Memorial is as follows: A circular-on-plan dressed stone memorial seat with bronze inscription panels fastened to backrest. The seat is built on a low circular terrace paved with rubble "laid on edge" to a suitable pattern and bordered by a dressed stone curb with a step-up at approach. Concrete foundations and seats are reinforced and a central void accommodates a Canadian Maple tree. All stonework is of Belgium Blue Granite. The inscription on the bronze panel reads:

Here 8 May 1915 the "Originals" of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Commanded by their Founder Major A. Hamilton Gault, DSO, held firm and counted not the loss.

The Canadian Maple tree was planted by the Founder on 1 October 1957. The Memorial was subsequently completed following the planting. A second bronze plaque was placed on a raised rectangular plinth set in the terrace of the Memorial and unveiled by the widow of the Founder, on 12 August 1964. The plaque reads:

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, this plaque was unveiled by Mrs Hamilton Gault on 13 August 1964 at a remembrance service on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Regiment to Honour all our fallen comrades 1914-1964.

At the time the Memorial was completed, a sum of money was turned over to the Commonwealth War Graves Commission for care of the Memorial. The PPCLI Association provides the financial means to maintain the Frezenberg Memorial through the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

The Menin Memorial Gate - Ypres, Belgium

The Menin Memorial Gate is constructed at the east end of the main thoroughfare in Ypres, Belgium. The inscriptions appearing on four plaques of two each exemplify the purpose of the Memorial.

The inscription repeated over the two main arches is:

To the armies of the British Empire who stood here from 1914-1918 and to those of their dead who have no known grave

The inscription repeated over the staircases leading out of the main hall is:

In Maiorem Dei Gloriam, Here are recorded names of Officers and Men who fell in Ypres salient but to whom the fortune of war denied the know and honoured burial given to their comrades in death they shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away

The names of 56,000 Officers and Men are inscribed in portland stone panels which have been fixed to the inner walls of the hall, up the sides of the staircases and inside the loggias. Of the names, 557 are members of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, including Lieutenant Hugh MacKenzie, VC. The Memorial was unveiled on 24 July 1927.

St George's Memorial Church - Ypres, Belgium

In the Baptistry of St George's Memorial Church, Ypres Belgium is a bronze plaque measuring 32 inches by 154 inches on which is engraved:

In memory of all ranks Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry who died in the 1914-18 War and the Founder of the Regiment Brigadier A Hamilton Gault DSO, ED, CD who served the Regiment until his death 28 November 1958.

The plaque was unveiled by the late Lady Patricia Ramsay, VA, CI, CD, the first Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment on 19 October 1961. On this same date, Freedom of the City of Ypres was conferred on the Colonel-in-Chief. The Chaplain and Churchwardens offer you a warm welcome to this church. It was built as a memorial to the thousands of men who died in the three battles of the Ypres Salient. By the end of the First World War, 500,000 men had died and the 160 Commonwealth War Cemeteries around Ypres mark the areas on which they fell. In 1918, with their town in complete devastation, the people of Ypres set about the task of rebuilding in the same style as it had been in 1914. Since the end of the Second World War the church has also been a memorial to the troops who passed through Ypres in the retreat to Dunkirk. Field Marshal Sir John French, Earl of Ypres, a former Army Commander, appealed for a British memorial church to be built here. After land was allocated and planning permission was given by the town, Field Marshal Lord Plumer laid the stone for the foundation of the church on Saturday 24 July 1927. The church was dedicated for worship by the Bishop of Fulham on 24 March 1929.

Memorial Stones - Camp Black Bear, Velika Kladusa, Bosnia

St Barnabas Chapel - Blue Beret Camp, Nicosia, Cyprus

On 9 February 1983, at the St Barnabas Chapel, Second Battalion presented a stained glass window depicting St Barnabas in the centre pane of the three windows. The left pane consists of a Patricia hat badge with the Regimental Colours above it and the right pane consist of a VP and coronet with the Arabic numeral two, with the Regimental Colours below it. The stained glass window was dedicated by the Colonel-in-Chief, The Right Honourable Countess Mountbatten of Burma, CD, JP, DE. Also present was LCol B. Ashton, Capt A.J. Anderson, the unit medical officer who designed the window, Sgt R.J. Germain, the weapons technician who produced the window, and other members of the Battalion.

Brookwood Memorial - London, England

Located south of Bisley Camp, approximately 40 kilometres southwest of London, the memorial commemorates 3,555 men and women of the Commonwealth / Land Forces who served in all theatres of war during World War Two and who have no known grave. It was unveiled by Her Majesty The Queen on 25 October 1958 and amongst its numbers honours 17 members of the Regiment with no known grave.

The Brookwood Memorial is a circular building of white against the green maples, firs and beds of feather. Of the more than 5,800 buried in the military cemetery, 328 are Canadians from the First World War; 17,31 Canadian Soldiers; five Canadian Sailors; and 669 Canadian Airmen, most of whom died during training in Britain.

Rhodes House - Oxford, England

In the memorial chapel is inscribed the name of Talbot Papineau, who was a Rhodes Scholar, killed in action as a Major during the Third Battle of Ypes on 30 October 1917. Talbot Mercer Papineau, MC was a lawyer and soldier from Quebec, Canada. Born in Montebello, Quebec on 25 March 1883, he was the son of Louis-Joseph Papineau (grandson of the Patriot leader Louis-Joseph Papineau). However, Papineau was brought up a Protestant and had American roots. His mother, Caroline Rogers, was born into an influential family from Philadelphia. His upbringing was mainly in English. He was educated at the Montreal High School and at McGill University. In 1905, he was one of the first Canadians to receive a Rhodes scholarship, and he studied law at Brasenose College, Oxford. He also played ice hockey for the Oxford Canadians. Returning to Montreal in 1908, he started practising law. In August 1914, he enlisted with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry and was commissioned as a Lieutenant. In the newspapers in 1916, he argued with his cousin, the anti-imperialist nationalist leader Henri Bourassa, over support for the war and the British Empire. Papineau's letter to Bourassa would eventually be published in the The Times of London. He was awarded the Military Cross for his actions in Belgium and rose to the rank of Major and was noted for his letters from the front. He was hit by a shell and killed during the Battle of Passchendaele in Ypres on 30 October 1917.

Papineau was one of the four Canadians featured in the book Tapestry of War: A Private View of Canadians in the Great War[1] by Sandra Gwyn. Papineau was portrayed by Justin Trudeau in the CBC movie The Great War.

Winchester College - London, England

Situated to the west of College Meads, this cloister serves as a memorial to the Wykehamist dead of the First and Second World Wars.. It was designed by Sir Herbert Baker and dedicated in 1924, and then again in 1948. A bronze bust of Air Chief Marshal Lord Dowding sits on the west side of the cloister. War Cloister occupies a strategic position in Kingsgate Street (accessed via "South Africa Gate", which commemorates the Wykehamist dead of the 1899–1902 Boer War), so that all Commoners go through it on their way to and from class. Another older war memorial in the school is the entry chamber to Chapel, known as "Crimea" after the Crimean War of the early 1850s, and bearing the names of Wykehamists who died at the siege of Sevastopol. On the War Memorial for 1914-18 is a Canadian Maple Leaf and emblazoned Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

Royal Military Academy Sandhurst - Camberley, England

In the chapel of the Royal Military Academy is a marble plaque which was unveiled by the first Colonel-in-Chief, Lady Patricia Ramsay, VA, CI, CD. The Royal Memorial Chapel at RMA Sandhurst has a very special place in the hearts of all those officers who serve, or have served, in the British Army. The chapel you see today is actually the third to be built at Sandhurst. The original chapel of 1813 is still part of the old college and is known today as the Indian Army Memorial Room. The second chapel, narrow and rectangular in shape, was built on this site in 1879. However, it is positioned at right angles to the present building. The former altar and sanctuary can still be seen in the Chapel of Remembrance (Side Chapel), whilst the original entrance was beneath the present organ. In 1919, plans for the present chapel were agreed and work began. The new enlarged building was reconsecrated by the Archbishop of Canterbury in May 1921, although work continued on the west end for a further 16 years. In 1939, the Royal Military College Sandhurst went onto a war footing, becoming an Officer Cadet Training Unit (OCTU). It was in January 1947 that the former Royal Military College and the Royal Military Academy Woolwich (which had closed in 1939) were amalgamated as the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst. Today, the chapel serves as the church of the Academy.

Much that you see in this Royal Memorial Chapel is the gift of a Corps or Regiment, of a relative, or of one of thousands of individuals. The memorials range from before 1914, covering wars and campaigns in South Africa, Sudan, Burma, Afghanistan and India, to the First and Second World Wars, and many subsequent campaigns in which the British Army has been involved since 1945. Since 1947, the motto of *"Serve to Lead"* has been taught to, and adopted by, generations of Officer Cadets. The memorials in this chapel are evidence of how their forebears, as well as more recent cadets, have given their lives in service to their country, their regiments and their soldiers.

Royal Burial Grounds - Frogmore, Windsor, England

British Royalty. Born Victoria Patricia Helena Elizabeth Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Princess of Connaught and Strathearn in Buckingham Palace, London, the third child of Arthur William Patrick Albert Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, 1st Duke of Connaught and Strathearn and Louise Margarete Alexandra Viktoria Agnes Prinzessin von Prussia. As a girl, she traveled with her parents to postings in India, living there for two years. She was decorated with the Imperial Order of the Crown of India. In 1911, when the Duke was appointed Governor General of Canada, she accompanied her parents to Canada, where she was extremely popular. In February 1918, she was named Colonel-in-Chief of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. A year later, she married one of her father's aides de camp, The Hon. Alexander Ramsay, third son of the Earl of Dalhousie, at Westminster Abbey. She voluntarily relinquished the style of Royal Highness and the title of Princess of Great Britain and Ireland and assumed the style of Lady Patricia Ramsay. The couple had one son. She was invested as a Dame Grand Cross, Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in 1934. An accomplished watercolor artist, she had had three one-woman shows during her career and left more than 600 paintings. She died at age 88, one of the last surviving grandchildren of Queen Victoria.

Hatch Court Museum - London , England

The Hatch Court Museum is operated by the family of the Founder and is a private museum located in London, England.

A number of artefacts that are property of the Regiment are on display at the museum. A partial listing is a follows:

Captains Uniform with CF button, Parachute Wings (Basic), CD, CF shirt, CF neck tie.

Two photos; one of MGen Ware and the other of MGen Brown.

Battle Dress post World War Two, Pte with PPCLI cloth shoulder titles, Glider Pilot Wings, Ribbons – 1939-45 Star, Burma Star, Defence of Britian, Canadian Volunteer Service Medal, War Medal, Long Service and Good Conduct Medal, Khaki shirt, knitted woollen tie.

Battle dress tunic property of the Founder A. Hamilton Gault, Cloth PPCLI shoulder titles, cloth badges of colonel rank, two red tabs, two general service buttons, ribbons: Distinguished Service Order, South Africa Star, British War Medal, Victory Medal w/mention in Dispatch, Efficiency Decoration, Order of St Anne (Russia), Order of the Crown (Belgium), Officers silk shirt, officers knitted tie.

Summer Parade and Ceremonial Uniform: Jacket with PPCLI brass collar and shoulder badges, PPCLI Brass Buttons, Khaki shirt and knitted tie, Insignia: arms – Mobile Command Badge, right arm lower (specialist badge) LI Gp 2, left arm lower (Musketry Qual) Marksman, Ribbons: 1939-45 Star, France & Germany Star, Defence of Britian, Canadian Volunteer Service Medal, War Medals: General Service Medal-Korea 50-53,United nations Medal-Korea 50-53,Canadian Forces Decoration.

Trench Map of Vimy that is linen.

Photos LCol C,B Ware and RSM Gardner.

Presidential Citation

Extracts 80th Bdge Routine Order #195 8 November 1915

Special Order of the Day by LCol A. Hamilton Gault, DSO 19 October 1919

Colour Photos of Ric-A-Dam-Doo with Wreath of Laurel

Operations Order #8 by LCol Adamson 7 April 1917 (3 Pages)

Special Order of the Day 10 February 1940 Lady Patricia Ramsay

Cap Badges: R22eR (Van Doos), Marguerite (Badly worn), RCR, Rifle Brigade, Royal Crew (3), Jacuns, Cloth Cheverons Sgt 1 pr, cloth MWO/CSM 1 pr

Various trade badges, Regimental Belt (pre-unification w/buckle and D's), Cloth PPCLI Shoulder Titles 1919-1939 (2), post WWII (2) United states Distinguished Unit Emblem(worn with Battle Dress of TW's) (2), Shoulder title LER (4 PPCLI) (1), Cap Badge Tudor Crown (1), MWO Badge of rank brass (1), Regimental Buttons 13, Combat slip-ons Lt,CSM,WO,MCpl ranks, Canada Shoulder Titles.

Victory Services Club - London, England

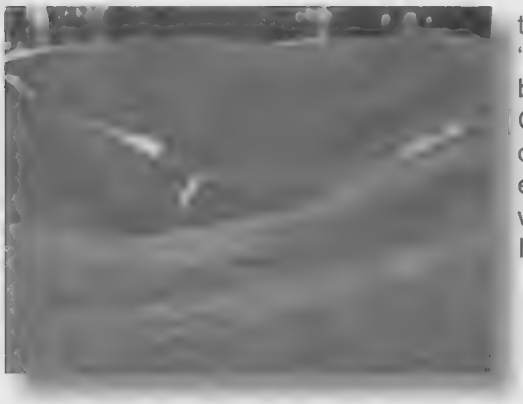
This club was built in 1907 as a tri-service club for serving and retired members of the Commonwealth. There are two plaques on the door to room 517 which is referred to as the PPCLI Room. One plaque is dedicated to Corporal G.B. Stewart, Regimental Number 1625, who joined the Regiment in August 1914 and was killed at Bellewaerde Lake on 8 May 1915.

Delalanne Street - Vimy, France

DeLalanne Street was named in honour of Brigadier J.A DeLalanne who as a Cpl, led the first Canadian patrol into the town of Vimy in April 1917.

Patricia Crater - Vimy Ridge, France

One of the craters a Vimy Ridge has been named Patricia Crater. In December 1916, the Regiment was with the 7th Brigade of the 3rd Division occupying a section of the front-line trenches near Vimy Ridge that was called the crater line. In the spring of 1916, the British had blown a series of craters in an attempt to edge the line forward. These craters had all been given code names. The two craters



that marked the extremities of the Regiment's position were "Broadmarsh" to the north and "Devon" to the south. In between were "Durand", "Duffield", "Common" and "Tidsa". On 19 December 1916, tunnelling companies blew charges on either side of "Tidza", improving the lips and making it easier to defend. Thereafter, the new hole in the ground was dubbed "Patricia" Crater by First Army Headquarters. It was 250 feet in diameter and 60 feet deep.

Vimy Memorial - Vimy, France

After World War One, the French government deeded 250 acres of the area at Vimy Ridge to Canada. In 1920 the Canadian Battlefields Memorial Commission was set up and studied 160 designs before selecting the one submitted by Walter S. Allward, a Toronto sculptor. The construction of the memorial began in 1925 and took eleven years to finish. By 1936 the tall twin pylons overlooking the Douai plain dominated the ridge and King Edward VIII dedicated the site on 26 July. A plaque set up at the entrance to the Vimy Memorial reads: "This land is the free gift in perpetuity of the French nation to the people of Canada". At the base of the memorial itself, in French on one side, in English on the other, the following words appear:

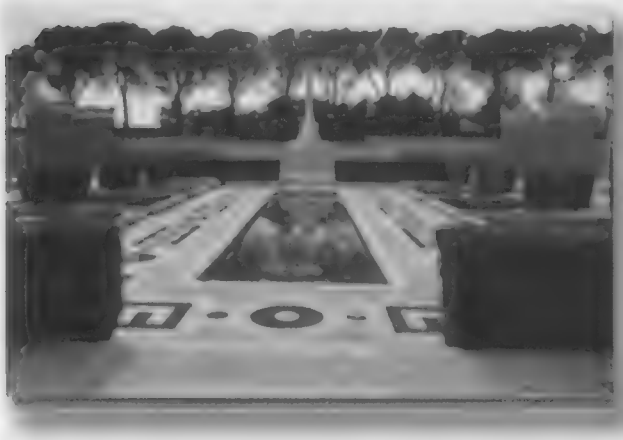
TO THE VALOUR OF THEIR COUNTRYMEN IN THE GREAT WAR AND IN MEMORY OF THEIR SIXTY THOUSAND DEAD THIS MONUMENT IS RAISED BY THE PEOPLE OF CANADA

The park surrounding the memorial was created by horticultural experts. Canadian trees and shrubs have been planted in great masses to resemble the woods and forests of our country. The visitor walking through the groves that now cover the slopes of the ridge would be forgiven for imagining that he had been miraculously transported back to a Canadian scene. There are 11,285 names carved around the stone base, names of Canadians who gave their lives in France and have no known grave. Among them are the names of four Victoria Cross winners. One of which is Sergeant Robert Spall who won his Victoria Cross holding off a German counter-attack near Ruye in the 1918 battles east of Amiens at Parvillers.

PPCLI Plaque - Achterveld, Holland

Ijssel River Crossing Plaque - Gorssel, Holland

Casino Memorial – Italy



The Casino memorial was unveiled on 30 September 1956 by Field Marshal Earl Alexander of Tunis. The memorial commemorates the 4,054 men who died in the Sicilian and Italian Campaigns and have no known grave. There are names of 192 Canadians on the memorial; five of whom are Patricias. Of the 855 Canadians buried in the cemetery, 90 are Patricias. The memorial consists of a series of green marble slabs that rise to a height of fifteen feet. The slabs are incorporated into an ornamental pool and formal garden. The memorial and cemetery are located about 135 kilometres South of Rome on route 6 and about the same distance North of Naples.

The Kapyong Battle Monument Regimental Memorial - Naechon, Korea

The Kapyong Battle Monument located at Naechon, Korea, 7km north of Kapyong was unveiled Friday 7 November 1975 in the presence of dignitaries of the United States, the Commonwealth, and Korea. Amongst the Canadian Contingent was Colonel J.R. Stone, DSO, MC, CD, who commanded the Second Battalion of the Regiment at the Battle of Kapyong. This monument stands 3.35 metres high and is made of natural stone weighing approximately six tons. The inscription, which is done in black marble on the front of the monument, is surrounded by a Maple Leaf and reads:

"Dedicated to PPCLI"
beneath which a cap badge is engraved and under the cap badge reads:
"Battle of Kapyong 1951.4.24-25."

The Regimental Memorial was designed by Mr Aum Duk-Moon, a well known Korean architect and was erected with donations from the Korea Bank Association, Korea National Tourist Association and the United Korean War Allies Association under the auspices of the government of South Korea.

United Nations Memorial Cemetery - Pusan, Korea

In January 1951, various battlefield cemeteries that had grown up during the Korean War were concentrated at Tanggok, a suburb of Pusan. Now called the United Nations Memorial Cemetery, it contains the bodies of 2,267 servicemen who, unlike the Americans, were buried in Korea. Of these 1,588 were Commonwealth soldiers, including 378 Canadians. 16 Canadians are listed on the bronze plaques of memorial. The cemetery, as its name implies, is a special United Nations one; Commonwealth troops fought in Korea as members of the UN forces and thus the UN commemorated the dead. National sections are marked by flags and the graves have permanent headstones, each with a bronze plaque giving the name and unit of the deceased. The Republic of Korea granted the land to the United Nations without charge, for all time, as a tribute to all those who had laid down their lives in combating aggression and in upholding peace and freedom.

The memorial to Commonwealth soldiers is of stone on a low base with bronze plaques bearing the names of those who died and whose burial places are unknown. The inscription reads:

On this memorial are inscribed the names of men from Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa who died in the Korean War and have no known grave. They died with men of other countries fighting to uphold the ideals of the United Nations.

Eleven years after the Armistice, a Memorial Service Hall was opened as a place where pilgrims may come to contemplate or attend services of remembrance. Designed by a prominent Korean architect, it is of a most unusual and effective design with granite walls overshadowed by a side peaked roof held in place by six concrete "V" beams anchored to the foundations and designed to withstand winds of gale force. The cemetery overlooks rice paddies and a peaceful seascape. More than 10,000 trees and shrubs, donated by many countries, have been planted to enhance the tranquillity and beauty of the site.

The name of the men who gave their lives in Korea are also preserved in Canada. It was decided in 1956 that a Book of Remembrance should commemorate these men and at the same time that there should be Books of Remembrance for the Nile Expedition and the South African War, as well as for those who paid the ultimate sacrifice during the First and Second World Wars. Thus, the honour roll of those who died overseas since Confederation is now complete.

VANCOUVER ISLAND BRANCH

Our branch has done well in 2008 with new members replacing departed members. We held the Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the Association in August-very successful. The main aims of the AGM were accomplished. A vast number of members assisted with the AGM, too many to name, they know who they are, MANY THANKS. Our Regimental Camp flag now flies in the church. Our sponsored PPCLI Cadet Corps now has a Regimental Camp Flag as well as proper T-shirts. Branch member Jac deBruijne was awarded an Association Certificate of Merit for 18 plus years of superior service and devotion to the Association. At the AGM, MGen Walter Semianiw, on behalf of the Chief of Defence Staff, presented a Canadian Forces Medallion to the Association for Distinguished Service. If 2009 goes a good as this past year has, we as a Branch of a great Association will do well. "EVERY MEMBER COUNTS."

MGen Walter Semianiw presents the Canadian Forces Medallion for Distinguished Service to PPCLI Association President Bert Scott

VANCOUVER BRANCH

Due to scheduling conflicts, and the Secretary being under the weather in January, we started our year by having our Branch Annual General Meeting before the Regimental Luncheon at the Seaforth Armoury on Sunday, 16 March 2008. We had 16 members and two guests attend the Branch AGM which was double our usual attendance. The Branch members voted to make it a permanent time for the AGM, as it is easier to attend the two functions on the same day. For the luncheon we had 39 members and their guests. Unfortunately our guest speaker (the President) took ill and had to retire at the end of the meal before giving his presentation. We were pleased to have LCol Rob Roy MacKenzie of the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada attending. First time he's been available since becoming a member of the Branch, being a former Patricia. A fun time was had by all and Stan Chaykowsky's family cleaned up on the raffle, apparently most of the books were going to a grandson who had recently joined the military.

While the President and Secretary were attending the Airborne Reunion in Edmonton in June, the upstairs neighbors had a flood in their apartment which flooded down into our office and destroyed a good deal of our paperwork. The Secretary had it out ready to work on when she got home. So a lot of information is from memory and she says her memory is not that perfect anymore, and please excuse any mistakes with the facts.

Left to Right: Tom Holland and Mel Thistlethwaite

On Sunday, August 24th 2008 we had our Annual BBQ with 17 members and 9 1/2 guests, the 1/2 guest was John & Linda Mckenzie's son Shaun. A work party helped set up the table and chairs the day before and everyone present helped take things down. Val and Thelma acquired the food and Val's daughters Bev and Trudy helped

Left to Right: Helga Boyce and Thelma Holland

with everything. Don Boyce tended the Bar with Bob McDonald helping out when Don and Glen Palmer went to sell raffle tickets. Mel Thistlethwaite, with help from Tom Holland did the barbecuing. We are happy to say at the end of the day Alison and Mel Thistlethwaite became members of the Branch. We've been encouraging the wives to become members also, as they play a big part in keeping the Branch functioning. Though the weather was dicey, a good time was had by all.

Left to Right: Helga Boyce, Bob McDonald and Tim Jantzen

The President and Secretary attended the National AGM in Victoria, luckily we have a free hotel or two there as well as Edmonton and Calgary. On October 26th an Executive Meeting was held at the home of Jenny Urquhart, where matters from the National AGM were discussed. Also the Branch Elections are coming up in 2009.

On Sunday, December 7th we held our annual Xmas Party at the home of Jenny Urquhart, with a total of 16 Members and two guests present - a very enjoyable afternoon for those who attended. The date of the Event was moved up a week, as the President and Secretary were leaving early for their Christmas vacation with the grandchildren. The darn weather in Edmonton didn't get above -30 degrees, for the first three weeks we were there. Now I remember why we were so glad to get posted to the coast!!

Unfortunately the Branch had to say good-bye to two members, Andy Foulds, a long time active member of the Branch and Mike Kirby. We also received news of the passing of two former long time members of the Branch, Charlie Ball and Joe Sieben. Though we have lost two members through death, we gained three new members and one returning member over the past year so the Branch is staying even over the course of the year.

EDMONTON BRANCH

Another year has come and gone, it is hard to believe it went by so fast. Despite how fast the year did go by, it was another very good year for the Branch. We only lost two of our members to the RSM in the sky, Jim Leddy and Duke Elliot, both Korea vets. Our membership grew by eight members or almost 10 percent.

The Branch was involved in some sort activity in almost every month of the past year besides its monthly meetings. Among the list included being represented at seven different Remembrance Day Ceremony sites and schools, two Patricia recruit graduation parades at Wainwright, Exercise Bold Eagle graduation parade in Wainwright, Exercise RIC-A-DAM-DOO and participation in the annual Raynor Ranch festivities in Airdrie. Eight of our members made the trip to the AGM in Victoria. The Branch was represented at the TF 1-09 Memorial Service at Steele Barracks. Members of the Branch attended the 1st and 3rd Battalions' Soldiers' Christmas Dinners. The Branch presented a photograph taken on 10 Aug 1964 to the 1st Battalion which showed all of the participants and special guests, including Lady Patricia Ramsey, BGen Ware, Shorty Calhoughan who attended and took part in the Regiment's 50th Anniversary Trooping at Fort McLeod, West Germany. The Branch President, along with the Association President Bert Scott, Vice President Joe Shultz and the Calgary Branch President Jim Croll attended a 3rd Battalion parade as the Reviewing officers. Representation of the Branch also included a 3rd Battalion Junior officers' indoctrination, attending former members of the Regiment funerals in the area, our Christmas party was attended by 43 members and guests and again a gracious donation was made to Santa's Anonymous and the Edmonton Food Bank. Several members of the Branch attended the Korea Veterans 55th Anniversary of the Cease Fire of the Korea conflict. In our April meeting (which commemorated Kapyong); members of the Edmonton Korean Veterans Association Branch were in attendance. Several members of the Branch attended the University of Alberta dedication to a memorial of a piece of trench art, an engraving of the Marguerite hat badge from World War 1 made and signed by twenty one University of Alberta students who joined the Patricias to fight. This piece of history had been lost for many years but was found and now hangs in a location of honour at the university. A number of our former parachutists attended the "Canadian Airborne Regiment 40 Years Later" festivities. The Branch was given a presentation of the new Joint Personnel Support Unit organization which will help both the old guard as well as the present injured and recovering soldiers. One of our members John Kolanchey was awarded the Minister of Veteran's Affairs Commendation and recognition for his work with Veterans in securing their benefits and privileges that they were entitled.

Our meetings are still at 11:00 hours on the fourth Saturday of every month except July and August so if you are ever in the area, come on down and see us at the Royal Canadian Legion on Kingsway and you just might run into any of our regular or associate members who include:

George Arndt, Dave and Liz Basham, Herman and Olga Barkemeyer, Warren Bard, Barny and Marj Barnhart, Ted Bastien and Betty Newman-Jones, Eugene Bekar, Wayne Bennett, Marcel Beztilney, Art Brochu, Don Brodie, Stephen Chorney, Charles Colpitts, Gene Croken, Ed Coswan, Bob and Nadia Craig, John and Pat Demerchant, Gord Descoteaux, Bill Dickson, Jim Dunn, Mark and Wendy Eckley, Al Estey, Ralph Funk, Fred Goldring, Jim Goodwin, David Gorman, Karl Gotthardt, Ed and Kim Haines, John Haines, Bob Harris, Bob Hidson, Lloyd Holden, John Jackson, Ken Jobin, Wayne Johnston, Stan Kellington, Tim Kenny, John and Shirley Kolanchey, Oscar Lacombe, Mike and Elsie Lotoski, Brian Magas, Dan and Sylvia Magnan, Earl Mansfield, Darrel Marsh, Don Masson, Don McBride, Rob McConechy, Earl McCutcheon, Lyle and Sharon McIvor, Neil McKerracher, Monty Moncrief, Harry Moore, Ed Morely, Miles Moser, Pat Munro (her father was an original !!), Ken Nette, Ollie Oleksyn, Otto Piecha, Len and Gladys Poirier, Joe Pollock, Maurice and Karen Polowick, Peter Radostits, Gary Ramstad, Bert Reed, Paul and Donna Robison, Lyle and Joyce Saumer, Orvis Schneider, Larry Schwenneker, Joe Schechter, Vern Shave, Bill and Maggy Shybunka, Fred Schiweck, John Slater, Graham Smith, GB Smith, CC Smith, Bob Storrier, Bill Sutherland, Wayne Taylor, Bruce Topham, Bill Thiele, Una Travis, Tim Turner, Jim Vigue, Sam Vangunst, Rico Von Gernet, Ted and Jackie Walton, Whitey Whitehead, Brian Wood and Stan Woodcock.

Association

MANITOBA & NORTHWEST ONTARIO BRANCH

At the Branch Annual General Meeting on January 20th, Branch President Gerald (Bud) Hawkins, Secretary Maureen Blake and Treasurer D'Arcy Best were re-elected. Stu Weeks became our new Branch Vice-President, and Roy Bailey, Don Collins, Cliff Fox, Taffy Gray, Susan Holfeuer and Richard (Archie) Moore were elected Directors.

The weather forecast was a little 'iffy' for our barbecue at the Charleswood Legion on May 31st but, except for a short shower that drove us inside just as the food was being served, it turned out to be a fine afternoon. Thirty-three Patricias and friends enjoyed a few rounds of Bocce and some great food provided by Len King and his able helpers Maureen Blake and Susan Holfeuer.

The Branch Annual Dinner on October 18th wasn't exactly "standing room only" but those loyal members who did attend enjoyed a nice dinner prepared and served by members of the Charleswood Legion Ladies Auxiliary, great camaraderie, and an excellent performance by the 2701 PPCLI Cadet Corps Drum Line.

Our 2008 Grey Cup Pool was a complete success with all 900 tickets sold. Once again the top seller was Emily Desmet, sister of the late Vic Nuytten, who accounted for 200 tickets.

A dozen of us made it to Shilo on December 10th for Soldiers' Christmas Dinner with the Second Battalion. Following the dinner, most had to hit the road back to Winnipeg, but three of us had arranged overnight accommodation and were able to join the Warrant Officers and Sergeants as they entertained the Officers.

Our latest new member is MWO Chris Waugh, 2 PPCLI QMSI. Chris, formerly a member of our branch, had been posted to Kingston, Ontario in 2005 and transferred to the Kingston Branch. Welcome back, Chris. On the down side, Maurice (Nick) Nowosad, one of our few remaining "D-Day Dodgers", passed away on December 13.

SOUTHWEST ONTARIO BRANCH

Greetings to all members of the Patrician Family from the S.W. Ontario Branch.

Our Annual General Meeting Weekend held at the Days Inn, formerly the Howard Johnson, in St Catharines was very successful and we had a good turnout of members and guests. Our Branch members are spread over a large area in S.W. Ontario from Sarnia, Borden to Peterbourgh, with the majority in the Niagara Peninsula Area. This makes it a bit difficult to hold regular meeting more often throughout the year, but we still have a fair size membership. Recruiting is difficult as our nearest Regular Forces bases are London, Borden and Toronto.

This year we also voted in a new guard during our AGM which consist of, George Ledwon, President, Mark Fisher, 1st Vice, Hub Lalonde, 2nd Vice, Elaine Gillespie, Secretary, Barb Ledwon, Treasurer, Romeo Daley, Sgt-at-Arms and Directors Doug Armstrong, Bill Johnson, Ed MacDonald, Jack Murray and Bruce Paxton.

It was unfortunate due to the changing of the guard and plans already made that we where not able to get representation at the National AGM that was held in Victoria.

Our AGM for 2009 is planned for 2-3 May 2009 at the same location as 2008 and we invite anyone travelling in our area to come out and join us, you are always welcome.

When planning for an activity such as to celebrate our Regimental birthday, we normally only get the local members and this year we plan to have a dinner with the spouses to commemorate our 95th anniversary at one of our local establishments.

Mark Fisher our 1st Vice is deeply involved through Kingston in the planning of our Olympic Winter

Games to be held in Vancouver 2010. Traveling back and forth between, Niagara-On-The-Lake, Kingston and the occasional trip to Vancouver has kept him quite busy so we do not get to see much of him but he still manages to support our Branch as much as possible.

SW Ontario Ladies

Ed MacDonald has been involved with the Remembrance Day school presentation for quite some time now. As a result of his good efforts the students of Pine Grove elementary school displayed a keen interest in our vets and as a result started, with the help of their teacher, a fund raising program. Their very first task was to raise enough money to send Ed and his wife June back to Korea on a trip so Ed could revisit the sites he served at. The school decided to keep this fundraiser program going each year and the monies raised would be donated to one of the veterans groups in the area designed to assist any veteran within that group with their needs. Under direction from Ed our Branch was the recipient this year and received a cheque from the school for funds a little over $ 600.00. The school fundraiser is a sports tournament challenging other local school to the event. S.W. Ontario Branch would like to thank Ed MacDonald and Pine Grove school for their generous offer.

We where also very fortunate to have our submission for the student bursary approved and where able to send Miss Patricia Johnson daughter of William Johnson who served with the Regiment from 1973 to 2002 to attend Waterloo University to further her education. We wish her our support and success.

Yours truly,

George Ledwon
President SW Ontario Branch

ATLANTIC BRANCH

The Atlantic Branch continues to function in the spirit of comradeship that is the essence of the Regiment's Association purpose. The Branch held its AGM, with all associated activities, in Truro, NS during the weekend of Oct. 3rd to 5th. All activities were held in the local Legion and were organized by Jim & Shirley McNutt, who were assisted by other local area members. Their dedication and hard work resulted in a very enjoyable weekend. From late Friday afternoon till mid morning Saturday was the meet-n-greet and registration; accentuated by the usual enjoyment of good friendship and good beverage. Saturday morning was the actual meeting which, besides the usual business, resulted in meaningful discussion on issues that are important to the serving members as well as retired members.

The members unanimously agreed that while veterans were generally given due recognition during the "Year of the Veteran"; it now seems that we have since been (once again) ignored. There was general agreement that the public must continue to be reminded of the importance of the sacrifice and contribution that veterans make for the country - and other countries. There was a similar discussion with similar feelings about the issue of the infamous "pension clawback".

The Branch President Brian Furlong briefed the members on the ongoing initiatives relative to the VPP Program. The importance of the Program and its details in real work was explained by Past President Bill Minnis, who has been the sole Branch Program representative since its inception. The President called for volunteers to undergo the training as sponsored by the National Executive of the Association.

In the spirit of true comradeship; George Forbes, Doug Gallant, Murray Melanson, George Springer, and Dave Snowball volunteered to take the training and become VPP representatives. It is noteworthy that the VPP initiative is national in scope and the above listed members were the first to volunteer - well done and thanks to Bill Minnis for "breakin trail".

There was a limited hanging of the guard for the Election of the Executive Committee. Errol Monkley stepped down as Secretary/Treasurer after many years of dedicated service and was given grateful applause by the members. Don Landry volunteered to replace him and was elected by acclamation. The President thanked Bill Minnis for his many years as President which ended at the previous year's AGM; just prior to Brian Furlong being elected. It was memorable indeed to have the changeover with the Colonel-in-Chief in attendance. The following Vice Presidents were re elected by acclamation. NB - George Springer, NS - Bud Gilfoy, PEI - Doug Gallant.

The Branch was pleased to have as guests, three serving members from the French Gray Battalion. CWO Tim Penney, Training Centre RSM, Capt Lee Mossop, Admin Officer, and The French Grey Battalion CO, LCol Terry Wilson. As well, we were proud and pleased to have Honorary Members; the parents of Patricias killed in Afghanistan - Lloyd and Charlotte Smith, and Thomas and Angela Reid. (Membership was granted on direction from The Colonel-in Chief at the previous AGM in Gagetown).

Saturday afternoon there were the following briefings:

MWO George Forbes on CF UN presence work in Sierra Leone (he had done several tours)

Capt Lee Mossop gave a very interesting overview (SITREP) on the activities of the Regiment's Battalions.

Brian Furlong gave a briefing on the proposed activities for the 100th Anniversary.

On Saturday evening we dressed up and had a dinner at the Legion. LCol Terry Wilson was our guest speaker and gave a passionate speech on the Regiment's sacrifices, professionalism and continued display of outstanding soldiering. We fundraised on members' donations of handmade memorabilia and other keepsakes as well a cash draws. After dinner we "tipped a few", sang a few, and fondly reminisced with great laughter and fondness.

Saturday morning we paraded at the local Cenotaph and prayed, and paid tribute to our former comrades with the focus on the Regiment's (Battle Group) fallen in Afghanistan. President Furlong read out the names of all of those killed, after the Padre led us through the service. We have since (recently) lost two stalwart members; Fred Bridges and Mel Parsons; we will miss them and their dedication to the Branch.

We regrouped at the legion for soup and sandwiches and a good-bye till next year in Gagetown. The spirit of comradeship at our AGM was strong, determined, and enough of an incentive to prompt us to gather next year in Gagetown for another Patricia gathering of genuine, sincere comradeship.

PPCLI Warrant Officers' & Senior NCOs' Club

The first six months of year 2008 were fairly quiet; a number of members from various parts of Canada visited the Piklee Post. Preparations were carried out for the 32nd Annual Frezenberg Dinner which was held at the Trade & Convention Centre, Penticton, BC. Another great success and again enjoyed by all members and guests, 113 members and guests sat down for dinner, count once again lowered due to medical appointments and timings. We were pleased to have with us the Colonel of the Regiment, Larry Gollner and his wife Christine. The COR addressed the members and brought up to date on the Regiment and our troops in Afghanistan.

In April of 2008, I received a letter from Veteran Affairs advising me that I had been chosen to represent Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry as part of the official Government of Canada Delegation which would travel to Korea to mark the 55th Anniversary of the Korean War Armistice. For that, I thank the Regiment for selecting me; the good part of this is that Veteran Affairs authorized my Linda to go with me. We would depart 8 July 2008 and return 15 July 2008. We flew out aboard our RCAF Airbus, what a beautiful plane, where they fed us at least every two hours coming and going, Linda was amazed that she was served by an RCAF CWO, I assured her that infantry CWO's did not serve meals, at least not in my time.

During our visit we took part in the following:

Ceremony at ROK (Republic of Korea) National Cemetery
ROK National War Memorial and Museum

ROK Observation Post Sang Seung (where I had a good look of Hill 355 'Little Gibraltar' and Hill 227, the area where some heavy fighting took place in the Canadian area. Hill 227 most important to me, as that was where, during a D Company raid on that feature night of 10/11 December 1951 I ran into a bad tempered Chinaman, this is not a war story we were just out on an evening walk in the end I got the better part of it, which resulted in a free walking stick from Veteran Affairs some years later. I am happy to say that I did not run into him on this trip.

Ceremony of Remembrance of Canadian at Canadian Korean War Memorial Garden, Naechon.
Ceremony of Korean War Memorial to Armed Forces of the British Commonwealth, Gapyeong.
Visit Punmunjeon
Depart to Busan (Pusan):
Sunrise Ceremony
Ceremony at United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea. (where five of my platoon rest)

I am pleased to say that we were looked after like royalty, by Veteran Affairs Canada Staff, the Air Force Staff and, without question, the South Korean people who without doubt have more than best feelings for Canadians. The hotels were 5 Star with all their services including meals, and the reception by our Ambassador Lipman and our DVA Minister Greg Thompson. A beautiful country today in comparison to the mud pile and rat ranch I recall some 58 years ago. My one suggestion would be to drop some of the not required, ie; free loading politicians and others in the same bracket in order add more Korea War Veterans, my count was approximately 12 actual Korea War veterans out of the hundreds they flew to Korea for the 55th Anniversary. Too late now, by the time the next DVA pilgrimage comes up there will be no more Korea War veterans medically fit to go. This applies to all DVA pilgrimages.

2483 (ESQUIMALT) ROYAL CANADIAN ARMY CADET CORPS PPCLI

The 2483 RCACC is in its 56th year of being a corps and its Patrician blood is still running strong. This year has marked some major changes for the corps including: a Change of Command, a new Sponsoring Committee Chair, the aging out of our senior cadet, but most notably a change of location. After many years of being housed at CFB Work Point the Esquimalt, BC Corps was faced with the challenge of needing to find a new home. After unable to find a suitable DND location we found a great home at the local Salvation Army Church.

Cadet CSM Alexander Fotheringham enjoying teaching to new recruits. Of note, CSM Fotheringham's Great Grandfather, Capt Fred Fotheringham was the founder of the Corps in 1953

We kicked off this year with a great Bushcraft weekend at CFB Albert Head followed by a four corps winter exercise at Mt Washington. Some other memorable highlights include: caving, pumpkin carving, sports nights, diversity workshop, serving tea to seniors, canoeing, 1st place at the Provincial Marksmanship Competition, leadership camp, Times Colonist 10 Km run, the biking expedition and much, much more.

Cadet Pte Jordan Powell taking camouflage and concealment very seriously

Our Corps is a great group of cadets and officers who all strive to do our very best. We also have an excellent Sponsoring Committee that has been very instrumental to our success. In June 2009 we will be having a 2483 PPCLI Reunion for former cadets in conjunction with our Annual Inspection weekend. Contact former cadet from our Corps - Captain Slade Lerch - Operations Officer 3 PPCLI for reunion details.

Cadet Slade Lerch

This year we have been most fortunate to have connected with the PPCLI Association Vancouver Island Branch - President Ed Widenmaier alongside his Branch of the Association have been most helpful in donating money for rent, Corps T-shirts, cap brasses and our very own VP Flag. Thank you! We also are excited to have reconnected with 3 PPCLI again. Your support and care for our corps is what helps to make our cadets better citizens and leaders. Also you would be most proud to hear our Corps yell "PATRICIA'S" at the end of the night! Thank you for your support.

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Captain M. Dahl
Commanding Officer
2483 RCACC PPCLI

Cadets

2701 (WINNIPEG) ROYAL CANADIAN ARMY CADET CORPS PPCLI

From international travel to learning basic bush craft the cadets of 2701 PPCLI RCACC experienced a busy and rewarding 2008.

The first exercise of the year was held in February at the Kapyong Barracks in Winnipeg. Exercise BIGFOOT is normally held outside of the city but due to a wind chill of -40°C it was conducted with a hard shelter near by. The cadets learned about building quinzees and other improvised winter shelters from SERE Instructors during the exercise and were able to spend the night in the quinzees they built during the day.

The spring exercise took place in Whiteshell Provincial Park. The cadets spent an afternoon hiking the Pinepoint Trail stopping at the Pinepoint Rapids. They also participated in a navigation-geocaching activity in the Nutamik campground.

The Corps on Exercise

Four cadets successfully completed their National Star Certification Exams. MCpl Leslie and MCpl Buhr receiving top marks – MCpl Buhr was later awarded the MGen Howard Award as the Top candidate for the MB/NW Ontario area. The summer saw MCpl Leslie travel to the UK for the Maple Leaf Exchange, and MCpl Buhr away to Germany. Both cadets enjoyed their summers abroad immensely.

Many of the Corps senior cadets also participated in regional expeditions in 2008. MCpl Leslie participated in the ice and mixed climbing expedition, as well as the Kananaskis traverse expedition. MCpl Buhr particapted in the alpine tour expedition and the Kananaskis traverse expedition. Sgt Jackson participated in the alpine tour expedition.

The fall exercise was once again held in Shilo, MB. Exercise GETTING STARTED is aimed towards new cadets teaching them basic bush craft skills and giving them an introduction to navigation. The cadets were also given a tour from 2nd Battalion PPCLI allowing them to learn more about the history of the PPCLI and the training they participate in now.

Overall the cadets of 2701 had a successful year and are looking forward to 2009 being another busy and rewarding training year.

3003 (BATTLE RIVER) ROYAL CANADIAN ARMY CADET CORPS PPCLI

Edgerton, Alberta

The 3003 Battle River Army Cadet Corps had a good 2007-2008 year. The first exercise, teaching bush craft, was held in September. Next the range practices started. Range practices consist of both .22 cal and .177 air rifle, and are done from September to April, with many cadets receiving their shooting qualifications throughout the year. The Corps participated in the Alberta Army Cadet League .22 cal mail in shoot, in November in which Cadet Katlian Atkins won best tyro shot in the province, she was presented with her trophy and plaque at the Alberta League Annual General Meeting in Edmonton in March with her family present.

A team attended the Wilderness Challenge near Grand Cache, Alberta, in the first part of October, completing the 15 mile event. November was a quiet month with only range practices, movie night and helping out three Schools with Remembrance Day Services and # 168 Edgerton Royal Canadian Legion with Remembrance Day Service in Edgerton. In December a winter survival weekend was held with a good a participation of Cadets. They all had fun, but learned that they needed to come better prepared next time. We also had a sports day and Christmas get together, after which we had a break for Christmas.

The New Year found us once again at the range, preparing cadets for NSCE, and planning our annual fund raiser. In February cadets signed up for summer camp, a shooting team attended the Zone Marksman Meet in Wainwright, where they advanced to the Provincial Marksman Meet in Edmonton, in April. Qualified Land Headquarters Staff taught the Alberta Hunters Education Course to all the cadets that wanted it, and MCpl David Ellwood successfully completed his National Star Certification Exam. In March Sgt Neil Ellwood received his Medal of Service, and we held our annual fund raiser, the Annual Supper and Games Night, which once again was very successful. We would like to thank the cadets, staff, parents, all the businesses who donated money or prizes, and all the community members who supported this event and helped make it so

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successful. The Corps also added a new officer to its slate, OCdt Kim Schilling on 11 March 2008.

April consisted of the provincial Marksman Meet in Edmonton, and an Expedition Training Weekend for Green and Red Star cadets.

May found us helping the #168 Royal Canadian Edgerton Legion with their Decoration Day, decorating veterans' graves in two cemeteries. April also saw the Corps promoting some of our own well deserving cadets.

Our Annual Inspection was held on 28 May with Major David McKillop, CD as Reviewing Officer, at this time many awards were handed out to the Cadets, two of the major awards presented were the Legion Medal of Excellence to Sgt Neil Ellwood and the Strathcona Trust Fund Medal to Sgt David Ellwood. Displays of their year's activities were available for everyone to view. At this time we also said good-bye to Sgt Neil Ellwood as he was leaving for further schooling.

Summer Camp was attended by all that applied from the Corps. Cpl Alex Moran achieved the Top 17 Platoon Cadet in Delta Company at the Vernon Army Cadet Summer Training Centre, while MCpl Eugene Couillard was the first cadet to challenge the New Abseil Tower. MCpl Couillard also participated in practical experience dealing with the greatest challenge of a river—it's current. Cpl Shawn Clifford was successful in competing to be selected from the 2008 Army Cadet Leader Marksman Course in Connaught. He will return and attend the 2009 ACLE Marksman Course. Congratulations to all who attended Summer Camp, as all were successful in passing their respective courses and can go on to a higher level.

The Impress Corporation

Last Post

Those whom this list commerorates served King & Queen, Country & Regiment. At duty`s strident call they left all that was dear to them, enduring hardness, and faced danger so that others might live in peace and freedom. Not all soldiers die in battle or glory, but they too served the Regiment. Let those who come after see to it that their names are not forgotten.

NAME	SERVICE	DATE	LOCATION
Lloyd E. Cornett	Regular	21 January 2008	Tsawwassen, BC
Charles H.H. Ball	Korea, Regular	29 January 2008	Richmond, BC
John Douglas Jenkins	Korea, Regular	7 February 2008	Chilliwack, BC
Andrew Foulds	WW II, Korea	9 February 2008	Vancouver, BC
George Williams Giles	WW II	13 February 2008	Edmonton, AB
John Reginald Bell	WW II	17 February 2008	Winnipeg, MB
William Steven Vance	WW II	20 February 2008	Winnipeg, MB
Renaud Brochu	WW II, Regular	22 February 2008	Chanoine Morel, QC
Charles Edward Pond	Korea	24 February 2008	Winnipeg, MB
George William Knox	WW II	26 February 2008	Miami, MB
Walter (Wally) Holisko	WW II, Korea	2 March 2008	Victoria, BC
Michael Yuki Hayakaze	Regular (LdSH (RC))	2 March 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Kenneth Francis Barwise	Korea, Regular	3 March 2008	Penticton, BC
Claude Albert (Bert) Mosely	WW II, Regular	4 March 2008	Qualicum Beach, BC
Leonard R Frankland	Korea	7 March 2008	Winnipeg, MB
Jeremie Ouellet	Regular (1 RCHA)	11 March 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Douglas G Morgan	Korea, Regular	13 March 2008	Sooke, BC
Jason Boyes	Regular (2 PPCLI)	16 March 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
John William Matthews	Regular	16 March 2008	Calgary, AB
William Lock	Korea, Regular	18 March 2008	Nelson, BC
Chester Hendrick	WW II, Korea	20 March 2008	Mill Bay, BC
Thomas Courtney Somers	WW II, Korea	28 March 2008	Hamilton, ON
Donald Michael O'Reilly	Korea	30 March 2008	Saint John, NB
Kenneth Stanley Shawcross	Korea, Regular	2 April 2008	Edmonton, AB
Terry John Street	Regular (2 PPCLI)	4 April 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Michael Kirby	Regular	7 April 2008	Vancouver, BC
Bass Gosse	Regular	8 April 2008	Saint John, NB
Frank J Smit Sr	Regular	14 April 2008	Victoria, BC
Douglas C Smith	WW II, Korea	27 April 2008	Qualicum Beach, BC
Lloyd Milford Gowing	Korea, Regular	29 April 2008	Ottawa, ON
Louis Joseph (Bill) Lavery	WW II	3 May 2008	Winnipeg, MB
David Henry LaRose	WW II, Regular	5 May 2008	Edmonton, AB
Michael Starker	Reserve (15 Field Amb), (PPCLI)	6 May 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Joseph A (Al) Stever	Regular	9 May 2008	Saskatoon, SK
Vivien Vincent Claire Snyder	WW II, Regular	9 May 2008	Victoria, BC
Stanley L Stothard	Regular	29 May 2008	Victoria, BC
George White	WW II	30 May 2008	Ottawa, ON
Peter Donald Mitchell	Regular	2 June 2008	Ottawa, ON
Richard Steven Leary	Regular (2 PPCLI)	3 June 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Craig Alexander Wilson	Regular (Military Police), (PPCLI)	5 June 2008	Kingston, Ontario
Jonathan Sutherland Snyder	Regular (1 PPCLI)	7 June 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
James Leddy	Korea	7 June 2008	Edmonton, AB
Wally Smith	WW II	7 June 2008	Peterborough, ON
Joseph Sieben	Korea	11 June 2008	Burnaby, BC
Fred Harris	Regular	28 June 2008	Victoria, BC
Lawrence (Larry) Brabant	WW II, Korea	3 July 2008	Winnipeg, MB

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NAME	SERVICE	DATE	LOCATION
George Rogers	WW II	4 July 2008	Salt Lake City, Utah
Colin William Wilmot	Regular (1 Field Amb)	5 July 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Larry L Schultz	Regular	6 July 2008	Lethbridge, AB
Oscar Raymond Guertin	Korea	11 July 2008	Ottawa, ON
Kenneth Edward Lapointe	Regular	12 July 2008	Calgary, AB
Meinhart Otto Karl Kaschi	Regular	14 July 2008	Yorkton, SK
James Hayward Arnal	Regular (2 PPCLI)	18 July 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Joshua Brian Roberts	Regular (2 PPCLI)	9 August 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Erin Melvin Doyle	Regular (3 PPCLI)	11 August 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Neil Patrick Edward Fox	WW II, Regular	14 August 2008	Ottawa, ON
Paul Hagen	Korea	18 August 2008	Flin Flon, MB
Stephan John Stock	Regular (1 CER)	20 August 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Dustin Roy Robert Joseph Wasden	Regular (1 CER)	20 August 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Shawn Allen Eades	Regular (1 CER)	20 August 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Chuck P Thompson	Korea, Regular	28 August 2008	Niagara, ON
Jim Sundberg	Regular	2 September 2008	
Chad Horn	Regular (2 PPCLI)	3 September 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Michael James Alexander Seggie	Regular (2 PPCLI)	3 September 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Andrew Paul Grenon	Regular (2 PPCLI)	3 September 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Scott Shipway	Regular (2 PPCLI)	7 September 2008	Kandahar, Afghanistan
Germain Savard	Regular	26 September 2008	Leduc, AB
Ian Culbertson	Regular, (Infantry School)	8 October 2008	Fredericton, NB
EM (Keith) MacGregor	WW II, Regular	12 October 2008	Victoria, BC
Kenneth John McPhail	WW II	24 October 2008	Sidney, BC
Matthew (Aussie) Grolow	RAR Korea, Regular	28 October 2008	Sidney, BC
Joseph (Jos) Ferland	WW II	29 October 2008	Winnipeg, MB
Donald (Dit) Roe	WW II, Korea	9 November 2008	Abbotsford, BC
George Umbach	Korea, Regular	15 November 2008	Calgary, AB
Fred Bridges	Regular	19 November 2008	Summerside, PEI
Donald Wiltse	Korea, Regular	23 November 2008	Surrey, BC
John Carson	Korea, Regular	25 November 2008	Victoria, BC
Stanley W Goodridge	WW II	29 November 2008	Winnipeg, MB
Gordon Edward Gosse	Regular	2 December 2008	Chilliwack, BC
John Peter Boehler	Regular	3 December 2008	Windsor, ON
James Francis Doyle	Korea, Regular	10 December 2008	Charlottetown, PEI
Maurice (Nick) Nowosad	WW II	13 December 2008	Winnipeg, MB
Leonard (Len) Clarence Roe	WW II, Korea	17 December 2008	Calgary, AB
Herbert William Drew	WW II	25 December 2008	Sidney, BC
John Richardson	WW II, Korea	26 December 2008	Calgary, AB
Joseph (Duke) Ernest Stone	WW II, Korea	30 December 2008	Burlington, ON
Angus Munro (Gus) Brotchie	WW II, Korea	31 December 2008	Winnipeg, MB

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